WHEREAS, Missouri’s forests are an invaluable resource;
AND WHEREAS, Missouri’s forests support over one hundred and fifty species of wildlife;
AND WHEREAS, Missouri’s Forests are susceptible to many invasive species such as the emerald ash borer (EAB), thousand cankers disease, Asian long horn beetles, and Sirex wood wasp, which cause irreversible damage to certain native species of trees;
AND WHEREAS, these invasive species may be spread through the transportation of firewood within Missouri and from outside the state;
AND WHEREAS, EAB Pathway has established specific guidelines for transporting firewood which limit the spread of these invasive species;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO, this 27th day of February, 2011 encourages all public land management agencies to adopt similar guidelines to those the EAB pathway committee has established concerning the movement of firewood, and the effects of the spread of invasive species.
RESOLUTION SUMMARY – CFM encourages the adoption of guidelines set forth by the EAB Pathway Committee in Missouri.