## Urban Habitats as Sources of Brown Marmorated Stink Bug for Agricultural Lands

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Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB)
Halyomorpha halys (Stål)

- Invasive from Asia
- Severe agricultural pest and urban nuisance
- Advantageous Traits
- Polyphagous (150+ plant species)
- Long distance dispersal
- Overwinters in/on human structures



## Urban Landscape

- High number of BMSB
- Wasatch Front contains the majority of Utah's human population
- Urban/suburban areas are within close proximity to agricultural lands



## Host Plant Surveys

- 15 sites on Wasatch Front
- 200m long transect at each site
- 20 plants $\times 15$ sites $=300$ plants total
- Visual inspection
- Beat sheet sampling


Compiled List of Utah Host Plants



Pheromone Baited Traps





2018 Trap Catch: Urban vs. Agricultural

Urban:

- Average of 25 BMSB per trap all


Agricultural:

- Average of 7.5 BMSB per trap all
- Average of 7.5 BMSB per trap all



## Voltinism



Concluding Remarks

- BMSB is primarily an urban nuisance pest in Utah
- Catalpa is a significant host plant
- Overwintered adults present May and June
- Highest number of BMSB in mid to late July
- Fall aggregation of adults mid to late September
- BMSB numbers were lower in both survey and trap data 2018
- Potential for two generations per season

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