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## Dept. of Agriculture asks Georgians to be on the lookout for yellow-legged hornets 'embryo nests'

Georgia leaders want you to be on the lookout for yellow-legged hornet nests.

The Georgia Department of Agriculture says it's considered an 'embryo nest,' the initial stage of a hornet nest formation.

Finding the nests early will reduce the number of hornets and minimize the damage caused. "It's crucial that we work together to protect our state's #1 industry—agriculture," Agriculture Commissioner Tyler J Harper said. Embryo nests are usually found in early spring, between March and April.

Look out for embryo nests. These are typically smaller than primary and secondary nests. You can find them in trees, shrubs or elevated spaces.

Report sightings. If you find an embryo nest, do not try to remove it yourself. Contact the GDA Plant Protection Division via email or a licensed pest management professional to ensure the queen is properly removed.

<https://www.wsbtv.com/news/local/dept-agriculture-asks-georgians-be-lookout-yellow-legged-hornets-embryo-nests/F4VKSIH37JEPTPKGPTPHHYDBLY/>

