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## **Saving Southern Appalachia's hemlocks from extinction Extended web only version**

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The Great Smoky Mountains National Park encompasses over 800 square miles along the boundary between Tennessee and North Carolina and represents one of the most diverse ecosystems in North America. It is A United Nations international biosphere reserve and is home to more than 17,000 documented species. The park also protects one of the largest remaining blocks of old-growth deciduous forest in North America. Visitors have long been attracted to the park's nearly continuous lush Green canopy of trees. But just in the last decade some radical changes have been occurring in the Southern Appalachians, and some of the Smokies' oldest trees are at risk. FSRN's Evan Davis files this report, funded by the community at [Spot.us](#).

For More Information:

<http://www.saveourhemlocks.org/>

<http://www.nps.gov/grsm/naturescience/hemlock-woolly-adelgid.htm>

<http://www.nativetreesociety.org/>

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