

The Zombie Fly – A Real Threat

Did you know that without bees, one-third of your grocery store would be empty?! Bees are the most important pollinators and they need our help!

This is what your grocery store looks like
WITHOUT BEES



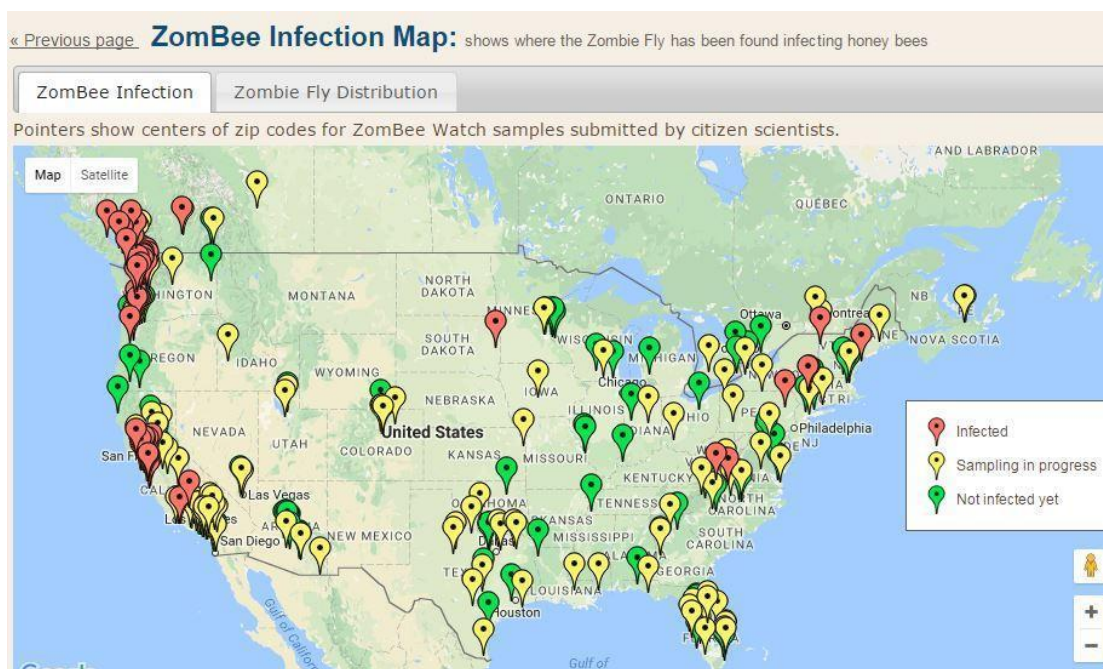
The Zombie Fly, *Apocephalus borealis*, is responsible for the deaths of large numbers of honeybees. The fly was only discovered to attack honeybees in 2008, so there is very little knowledge about its implications right now, including how widespread the parasitations from them are. That's where you come in!

We are an FLL robotics team from MN and are helping San Francisco State University track this problem and determine the exact spread and depth of this issue, as well as trying to stop it from spreading. You can help test if bees in your area are infected by the zombie fly using our easy test kit. (See more details on reverse.)



In partnership with SFSU and Dr Hafernik, the **Rockslides** have created test kits to make testing easier and more affordable, and are trying to get these kits out to as many

testers as possible FOR FREE! The test kits include the basics you need for testing including the light trap, tweezers, and instructions. The Rockslides even created a new version of the light trap that is solar powered in case hives are away from electricity.



If you are in an area where there is not much testing, we'd love your help! If you know there are bees in your area and would like a test kit, please contact us using the information below. If you know people who might be interested in testing, you can pass this information onto them. You don't have to be a beekeeper to help, though beekeepers are great testers too! Can't test and don't know anyone who can test, but still want to help? We are taking donations too so we can get more tests to more people! You can donate through our website below or through our GoFundMe page www.GoFundMe.com/jp2rockslides

There are 9 states that have no tests in them at all, and many only have one or two. Infections have been found on the east and west coasts, even into Canada. **Most beekeepers that had bees dying because of the zombie fly had never even heard of it before!** It is important to learn about zombie flies and the issues they bring, as well as to consider testing in your area. **Save your grocery store and the bees!**

To get a FREE test kit (limited quantities available), contact the JP2 Rockslides through their website: www.SherCoFIRST.org/Contact-Us or by email: Jennilynn633@gmail.com

You can find out more information about the San Francisco State University research on their website: www.zombeewatch.org