

# CONEHEAD TERMITES



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## ABOUT CONEHEAD TERMITES

An exotic termite, the conehead termite, has been found in Broward County, Florida. Coneheads are from the tropics, and they can wreak havoc on structures and landscapes, causing expensive damage.

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) asks Floridians to be on the lookout for these invasive pests and to contact the department with any suspected sightings.

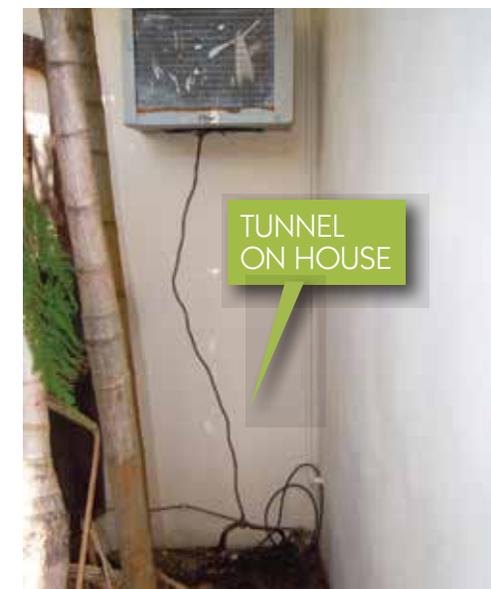
FDACS is working diligently to prevent this invasive termite from becoming permanently established and spreading further throughout the state.

## WHAT TO LOOK FOR

**Tunnels:** Coneheads travel to their feeding sites in narrow (usually ½” wide or less), brown tunnels, or “termite highways,” on the sides of trees, houses, fences or other surfaces.



TUNNEL  
ON TREE



TUNNEL  
ON HOUSE

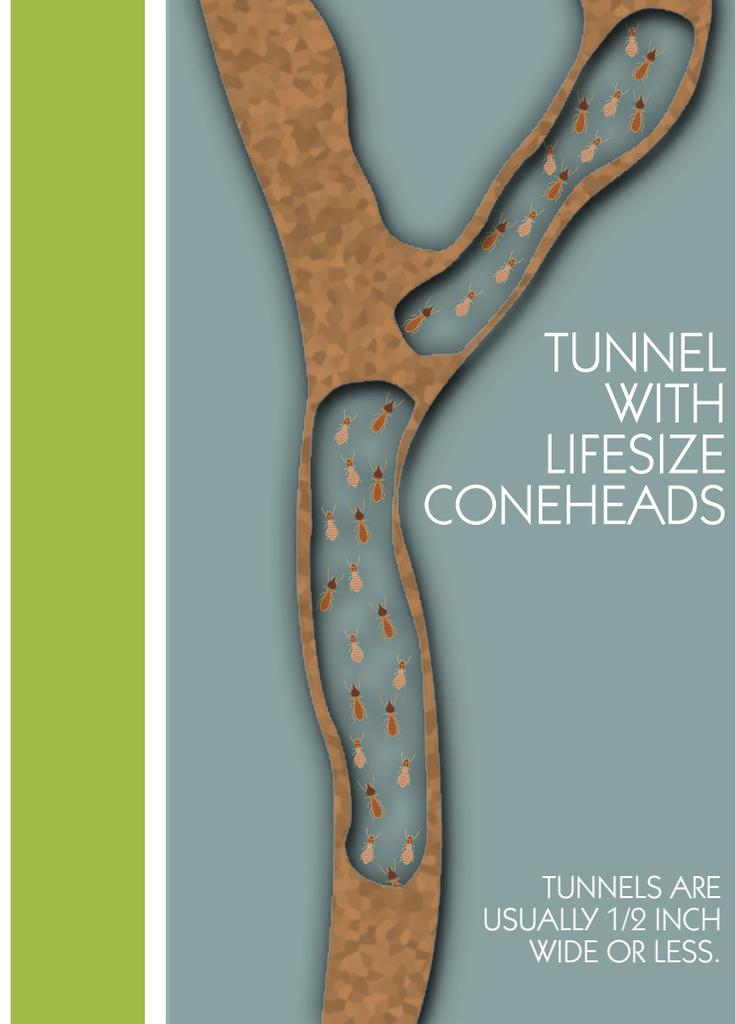


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**Swarmers:** In spring, winged coneheads leave their old nests and fly to a new location to start another colony, which is how the termite infestation spreads. Dark wings distinguish conehead swarmers from other local termites.



**Nests:** These termites build large, dark brown nests with a hard, bumpy surface. Nests can be on, in, or by trees or structures, or on open ground and are sometimes hidden within vegetation.



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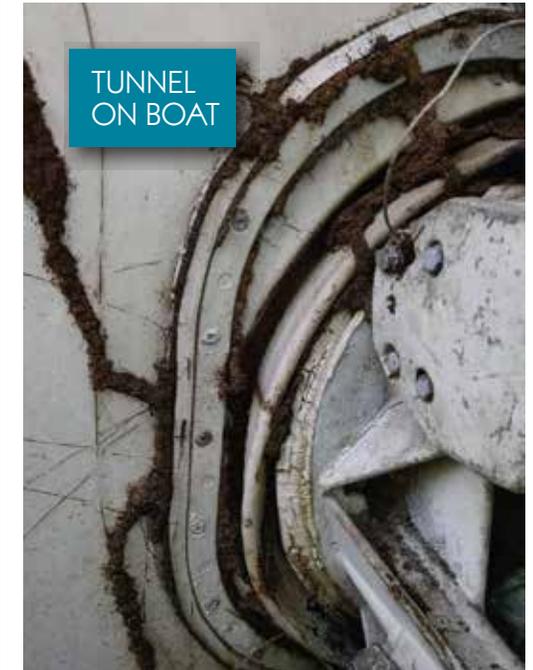


## REPORT SIGHTINGS

If you wish to report sightings, please call

**1-888-397-1517**

If it is possible, a photo of the termite or dwelling area is helpful.



## INFORMATION

For additional information and questions on conehead termites, contact:

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