SPB IN DORCHESTER COUNTY
Always present in the woods, needs the right conditions to manifest itself.

Some type of stress to the pine triggers an outbreak, ie. Lightning strike, soil compaction, salt water intrusion, change in site conditions.

Last known major outbreak in Dorchester County was in 1998 in the McKeil Pointe subdivision near Madison.

1998 outbreak caused by development pressures which led to soil compaction and changes to the drainage
What can be done to prevent a SPB outbreak?

- Keep stands healthy and vigorous-thinning
- Monitor woods periodically
- Remove high risk trees
- Keep soil disturbance to a minimum.
- Keep saltwater out, flood gates
Problems specific to SPB areas in Dorchester County

- Working with private landowners and in many times small acreage
- Access to the properties is limited in many areas
- Located in wet, marshy areas
- Flat ground, poor drainage, flood tides
- Critical Area