

WHITE PINE WEEVIL
Pissodes stobi

- Natural range -** Northern and western United States and adjoining Canada
- Species affected -** Spruces, eastern white pine.
- Type of damage -** Adults attack leading stem, lay eggs, which hatch into white legless larvae. Larvae feed in cambium region and kill leader. Damage causes reduced height growth and deformity.
- Importance -** This insect is a major pest of eastern white pine plantations in the Northeast and a pest of young spruces in the western USA and Canada.
- Remarks -** This insect could appear occasionally on ornamental spruces.



Left – Damage to spruce leader caused by white pine weevil
Right – Larvae of white pine weevil in inner bark of a spruce leader.