



LATEST UPDATES

NPDN First Detector Newsletter: As a registered NPDN (National Plant Diagnostic Network) first detector, you should have received the NPDN First Detector Newsletter in a regular basis. If you are not receiving, or you wish to change your email address for this communication, please notify me or Dick Hoenisch at rwhoenisch@ucdavis.edu.

New Plant Diagnostic Form: Both PDF and word versions of the new form are online at http://agri.nv.gov/PLANT_PATHOLOGY/SPECIMENS_FOR_DIAGNOSIS_OF_PLANT_DISEASES_DISORDERS.pdf. Please save a copy in your desktop. Each sample should be submitted with an attached form. Any question on filling the form, click [Instruction](#).

Suspecting *Fusarium* Wilt of Canary Island Date Palm? Please click http://agri.nv.gov/Plant_PDF/2008/MonitoringFusariumWiltofCanaryIslandDatePalm.pdf for information on how to recognize the disease and how to collect correct samples for laboratory analysis.

Pine Needle Blight in Northern Nevada Landscapes: Click http://agri.nv.gov/Plant_PDF/2008/WhatCausesPineNeedleBlight.pdf for detail information on causes. A step by step guideline for how to identify the cause of needle blight is provided in the factsheet.

Silver Maple Bleeding Canker Disease: Click http://agri.nv.gov/PLANT_PATHOLOGY/2008/BleedingCankerDiseaseSilverMaple.pdf for information on what causes bleeding canker on silver maple trees and how to manage this disease. Two species of *Phytophthora* were confirmed by their DNA sequences. If you notice any dark brown sap dripping along the surface of the trunk of maples, oaks, and other trees, call 775-688-1180 ext 275 for assistance.

Gladiolus Rust Alert: Watch out for [Gladiolus Rust](#). It is a rust disease of quarantine significance. The typical symptom of the disease is the presence of yellowish spots and/or orange color of pustules on both sides of Gladiolus leaves. Collect leaf samples from suspicious plants and submit to NDOA Plant Pathology Laboratory for confirmation.

Suspecting Sudden Oak Death Disease? Get familiar with symptoms of SOD ([Sudden Oak Death](#)) and watch for suspicious plants in home yards, landscapes, nurseries and forest sites. The host list of *Phytophthora ramorum* has been expanded. To know more, click [SOD Host List](#).

Online First Detector Training: The NPDN first detector training will be online soon. We are planning to organize one training session in Reno and another one in Las Vegas this year. The dates and locations will be posted later.

Any Comments? The information capsule series is designed to keep all first detectors and those involved in pest detection and management aware of important pests and to promote communication within the network. If you have any suggestions or comments on this information capsule, please email them to shwang@agri.state.nv.us.