



## LATEST UPDATES

**Sudden Oak Death Host List Updated:** Sudden oak death pathogen *Phytophthora ramorum* causes stem bleeding canker on oak species and foliar blight on many non-oak species. Recent research confirmed that banana shrub (*Magnolia figo*) and Chinese redbud (*Cercis chinense*) are hosts of *Phytophthora ramorum*. Symptom on these plants is leaf necrosis. Watch out plants for symptoms of leaf blight, dieback or stem bleeding canker and submit samples for testing possible *Phytophthora* infection. Click [here](#) for updated SOD host list.

***Phytophthora kernoviae*:** Another species of *Phytophthora* was found to be a new threat to trees and shrubs in Europe. The symptoms it causes on trees and shrubs are very similar to those caused by *Phytophthora ramorum*. Click [here](#) for complete description of the disease and watch our plants in Nevada for suspicious symptoms.

**NPDN First Detector Training:** The second round of first detector training will be held in Reno and Las Vegas this coming June. For complete announcement, please click [here](#) for northern Nevada and [here](#) for southern Nevada. Notify those who are working with plants and interested in becoming a registered NPDN first detector.

**New Online First Detector Training:** The new online first detector training modules have been developed. Please click <http://cbc.at.ufl.edu/> and then click "Take the On-Line Training Modules" icon. You will be requested to create a new account and password. It is a great resource! Please log in.

**Free *Phytophthora* Online Course:** Oregon State University has developed a free *Phytophthora* online course for nursery growers. The course has three modules and is an excellent resource to learn about diseases caused by *Phytophthora* species. Don't miss this opportunity. You can start now by clicking <http://oregonstate.edu/instruct/dce/phytophthora/>.

**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 pustules on both sides of Gladiolus leaves. Collect leaf samples from suspicious plants and submit to NDOA Plant Pathology Laboratory for confirmation.

**See Ash Yellowing in Las Vegas?** Please report sites to [shwang@agri.state.nv.us](mailto:shwang@agri.state.nv.us) or Karen Dyka ([dykak@UNCE.unr.edu](mailto:dykak@UNCE.unr.edu)). We will visit the sites and take samples for laboratory analysis.

**Need a Form to Submit Samples?** Click [Plant Diagnostic Form](#) and download the form to your computer. Attach the form with your sample and submit it to Nevada Department of Agriculture, 350 Capitol Hill Avenue, Reno, NV 89502.

**Missed Previous Information Capsule?** If you did not receive our previous information capsule, click [Nevada First Detector Information Capsule No.1](#). It contains information about palm disease, silver maple bleeding canker, pine blight, and sudden oak death.

**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](mailto:shwang@agri.state.nv.us).