



Update from CDFA's Plant Pest Diagnostics Center

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Agenda

- New hosts of *Phytophthora ramorum*
- More hosts of *Calonectria californiensis*
- New wilt disease on redbud in California



Arbutus × reyorum
‘Marina’



Arbutus × reyorum ‘Marina’ leaves infected with
Phytophthora ramorum, Humboldt Co., CA



Koch's postulates

- Inoculated 3 plants with *Phytophthora ramorum* zoospores
- Symptoms after 3 days
- *P. ramorum* reisolated from inoculated plants



Cornus capitata



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6 days after inoculation with
Phytophthora ramorum

Calonectria californiensis



Calonectria californiensis



Calonectria californiensis



Salal

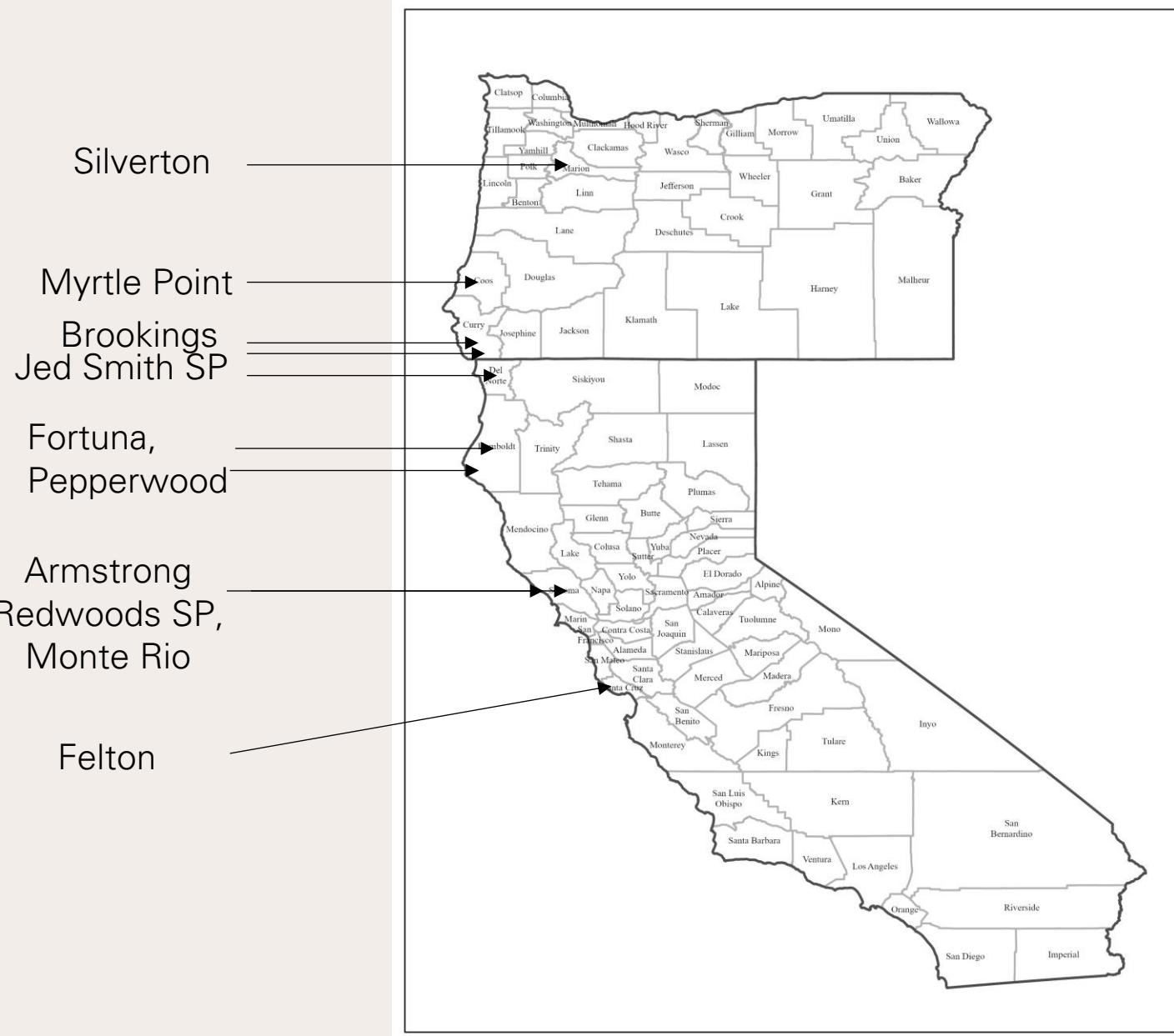


Tan oak



Bay

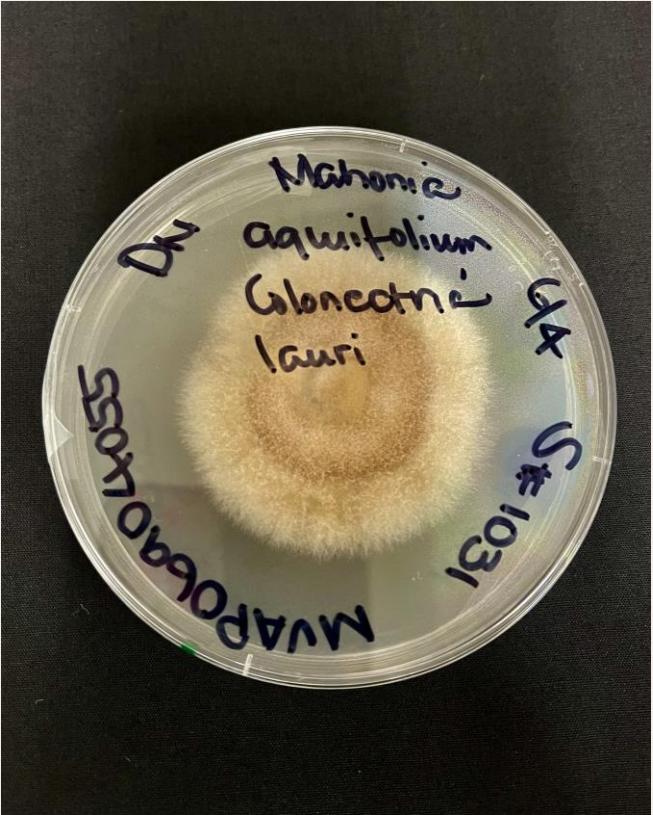
Calonectria californiensis –Detections



Calonectria californiensis

New Hosts

Inoculations



Gaultheria shallon (salal) inoculated with *Calonectria californiensis*



Mahonia aquifolium inoculated with *Calonectria californiensis*



13 days after inoculations

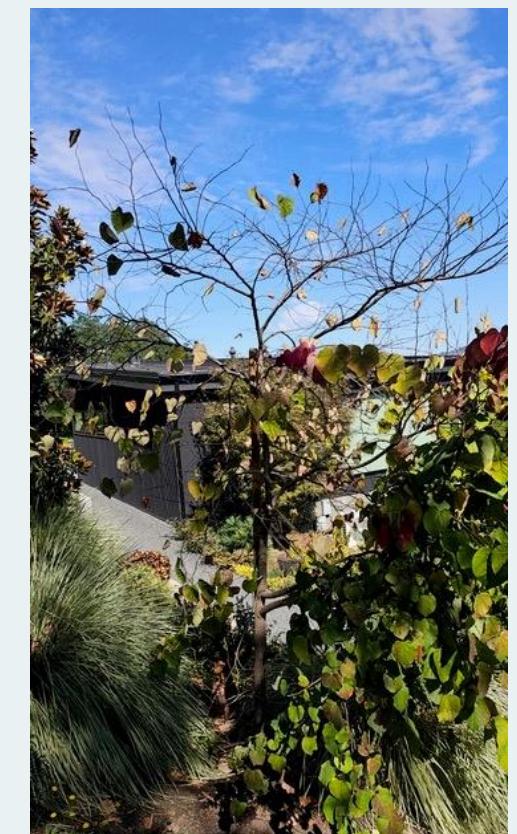
Philadelphus lewisii inoculated with *Calonectria californiensis*



30 days after inoculations

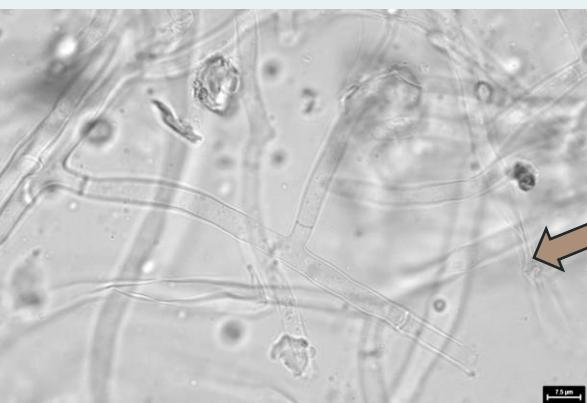


Vascular streak dieback





Vascular streak dieback:
Ceratobasidium cf.
theobromae



Vascular Streak Dieback – *Ceratobasidium theobromae*

**Vascular streak dieback: A novel threat to redbud and other woody ornamental production in
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Some Hosts of Vascular Streak Dieback

- *Acer* sp.
- *Amelanchier canadensis*
- *Cornus* sp.
- *Cercis* sp.
- *Magnolia* sp.
- *Hydrangea* sp.
- *Lagerstroemia indica*
- *Liriodendron tulipifera*
- *Prunus persica*



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