

News Advisory

CARMEL VALLEY COMMUNITY MEETING: RESPONDING TO THE THREAT OF SUDDEN OAK DEATH

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CARMEL VALLEY— A Sudden Oak Death (SOD) community meeting will be held at the Hidden Valley Theatre on November 6, 2010. At the workshop, researchers from UC Berkeley and UC Davis will explain the cause of Sudden Oak Death, how it spreads and kills trees, and what symptoms look like, as well as provide important prevention and management information. There will also be open discussion time during which community members can ask questions, express their concerns, and brainstorm options for proactive community activities and management strategies.

When:	2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Where:	Hidden Valley Theatre 88 W Carmel Valley Rd Carmel Valley, CA 93924

Caused by the plant pathogen *Phytophthora ramorum*, Sudden Oak Death is severely impacting woodlands throughout Monterey County. Since the 1990s, *P. ramorum* has killed more than a million oak and tanoak trees in California.

For more information on the meeting, contact Kerri Frangioso at (831) 620-1098 or <u>kfrangioso@ucdavis.edu</u> or Katie Palmieri at <u>kpalmieri@berkeley.edu</u>. For more information on Sudden Oak Death and *P. ramorum*, go to the California Oak Mortality Task Force website at <u>www.suddenoakdeath.org</u>.