



**COMTF SPRING MEETING  
HALF-DAY FIELD TRIP AGENDA  
PHYTOPHTHORA RAMORUM IN BIG SUR  
MARCH 23, 2006  
8:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Overview:** The field trip will visit Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park to view the impacts of *Phytophthora ramorum*/Sudden Oak Death in a native redwood/tanoak forest. We will carpool to Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park just off Highway 1 and view the lower portions of Buzzard's Roost Trail. The second hike up to Pfeiffer Falls to view an old-growth redwood forest and additional symptoms is optional. Before departure from the parking lot, you will be asked to clean your footwear. Cleaning supplies will be provided.

**Cautions/Notes:** There is poison oak in the area. Wear closed shoes, suitable for mud. The weather may be cool (50° F) and rainy. There is little to no cell phone coverage in Big Sur.

**Agenda**

**8:45 a.m.:** Assemble in Lobby of Carmel Mission Inn (3665 Rio Road, Carmel)  
Determine carpool arrangements

**9:00 a.m.:** Depart for Pfeiffer Big Sur

**10:00 a.m.:** Arrive at Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park  
Short walk to Buzzard's Roost Trailhead

Along Buzzard's Roost Trail

- Introduction to Redwood/Tanoak Forests and *P. ramorum* Symptoms  
Alison Wickland, UC-Davis Rizzo Laboratory, Big Sur Sudden Oak Death Project
- Sudden Oak Death Impacts  
Dave Rizzo, UC-Davis, Department of Plant Pathology
- Sudden Oak Death and Wildlife: Monitoring Acorn Production  
Kerri Frangioso, UC-Davis Rizzo Laboratory, Big Sur Sudden Oak Death Project

**11:00 a.m.:** Optional guided hike to Pfeiffer Falls Trail (**OR** Return to parking lot to wash shoes and depart for Carmel Mission Inn - estimated arrival back to Carmel – 12:00 noon)

**12:00 noon:** Return to parking lot from Pfeiffer Falls Trail to clean footwear

**12:15 p.m.:** Depart for Carmel

**1:00 p.m.:** Arrive at Carmel Mission Inn

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