

Weekend Event: May 12th and 13th

SOD Blitz

On the weekend of May 12 and 13 the Town of Woodside will be sponsoring a "SOD Blitz" event - to collect and document leaf samples in and around Woodside for Sudden Oak Death Syndrome.

Our event is part of a larger project sponsored by the University of California Berkeley Pathology and Mycology Lab.

We are looking for volunteers who are willing to be trained (one hour lecture by UC Berkeley on what to look for and how to collect and document leaf samples) and collect samples of leaves from specific trees in and around Woodside.

A 1-hr briefing will be held on Saturday, May 12, 10:00 - 11:00

Here, students will learn about:

- Identifying Bay Laurels, which are frequent carriers of the SOD disease.
 - Collecting samples of Bay Laurel leaves.
- Recording sample locations using addresses or GPS (samples may be collected anywhere in the area, including areas that were sampled in previous years).
 - Using distributed materials for specimen collection and labeling.

Samples can be collected by volunteers on Saturday and/or Sunday and returned to Town Hall for pickup by 4:00 P.M. on Sunday.

All Science Enthusiasts are welcome to attend!

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For more information