

WANTED

Dead ~~or Alive~~

THE POLYPHAGOUS SHOT-HOLE BORER



This insect is tiny, the size of a sesame seed



Fusarium dieback caused by fungal pathogens



DO NOT SPREAD THIS PEST!

This tiny, wood-boring beetle attacks dozens of iconic native California tree species, including oaks and sycamores, as well as commercial avocado groves. The beetle spreads a disease called Fusarium, causing branch dieback, canopy loss, and in some cases, tree death. Dead or dying trees often wind up being trimmed or cut down, resulting in them entering the green materials stream while potentially containing live pests. Learn to recognize these pests. If you see infested wood, keep these materials covered with a tarp prior to grinding, and grind to 2" or smaller. Processed materials should be covered during transport. This material should be composted, but should never be used as mulch. Materials exposed to infested wood should not be sent for direct application to farmland. Contact your County Agricultural Commissioner for more information.