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Session 5

Monitoring and Control Strategies

How do you control this pest complex in an ecological landscape?

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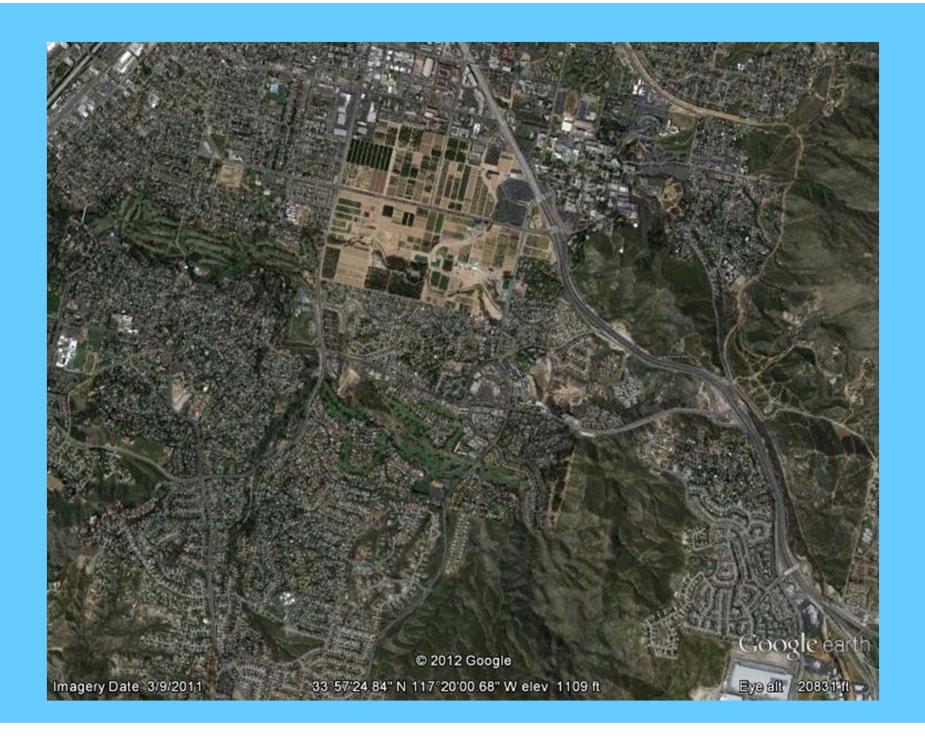
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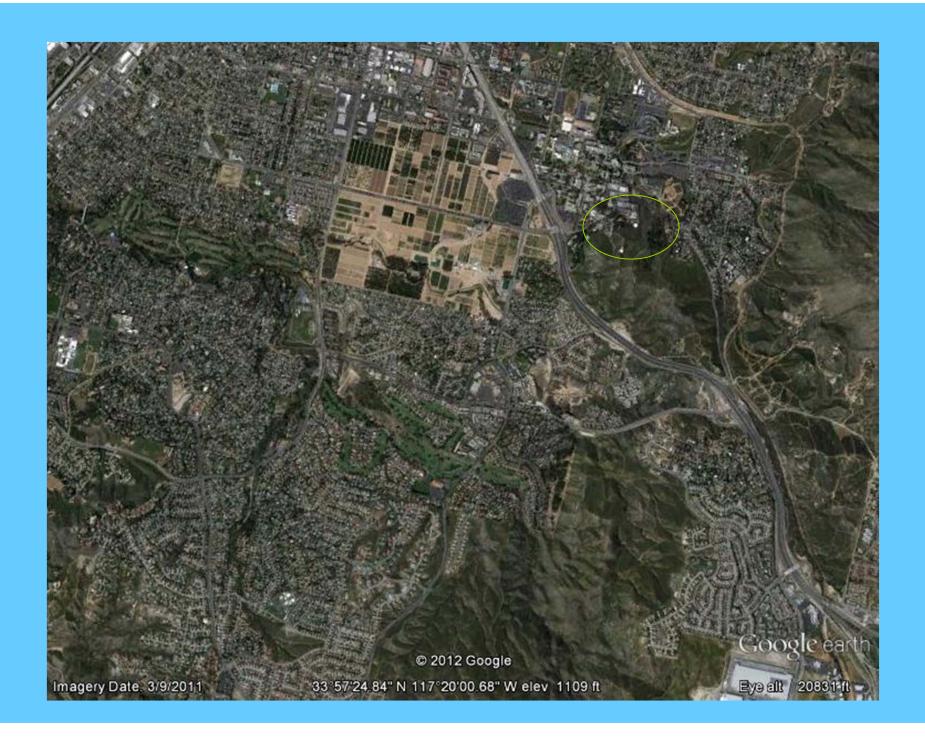
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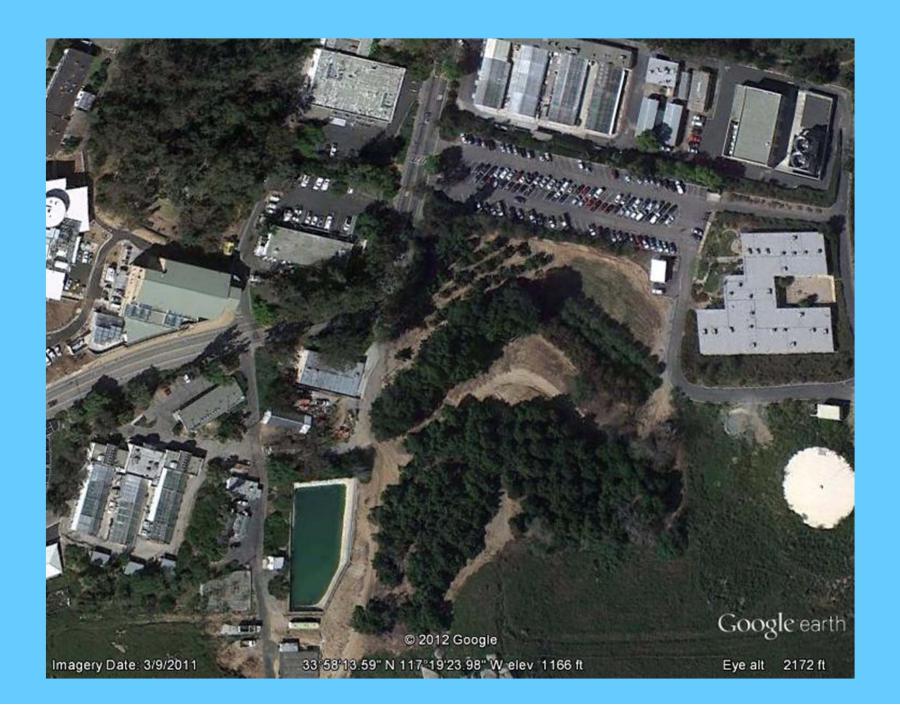
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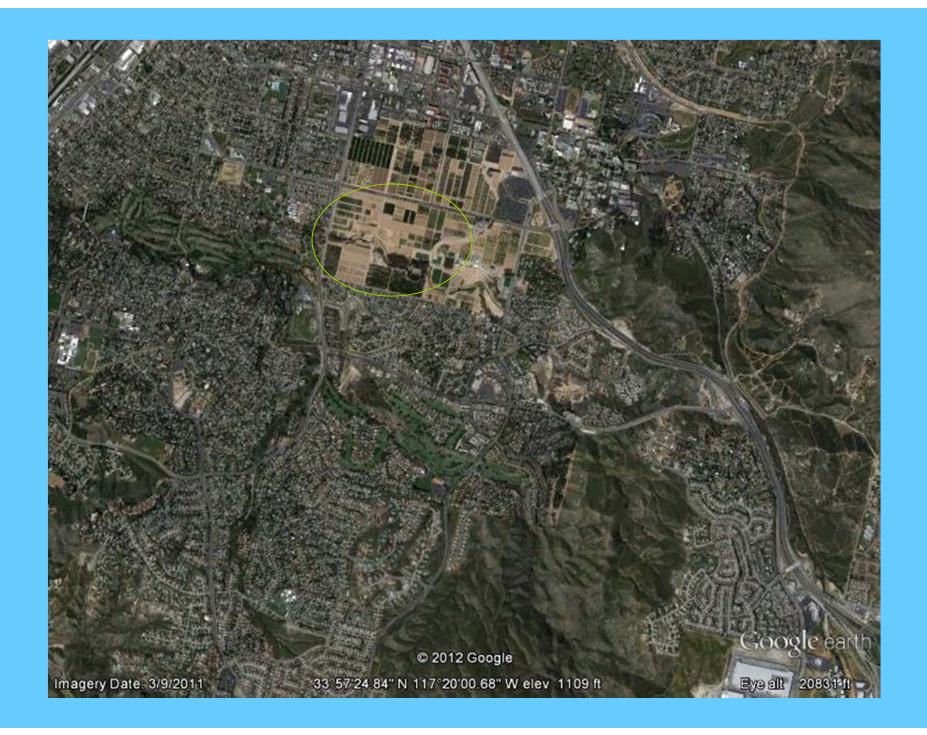
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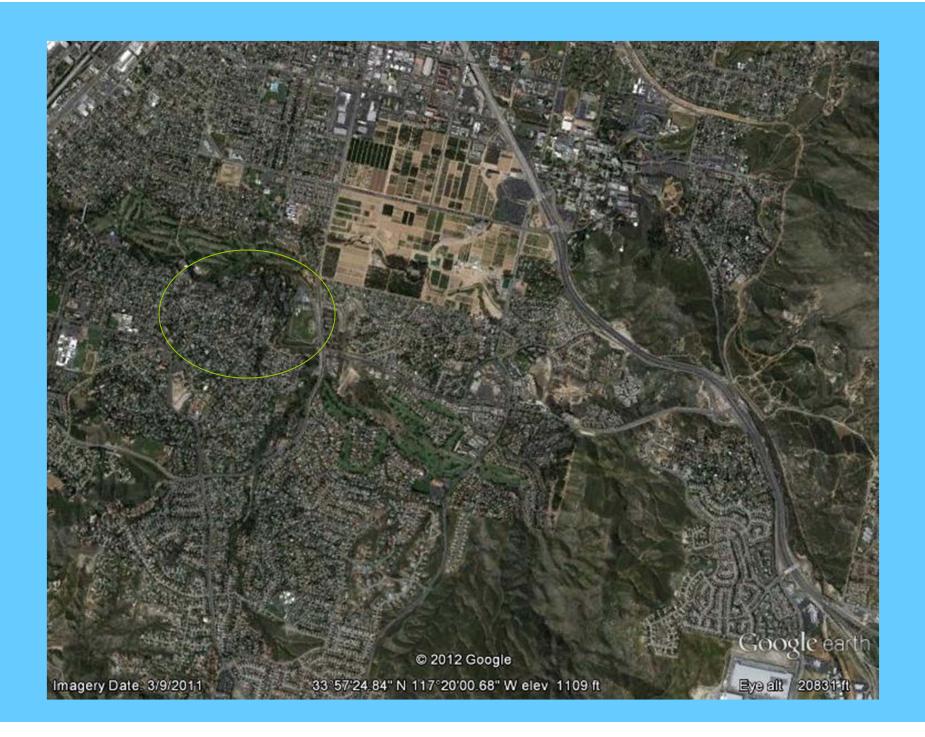




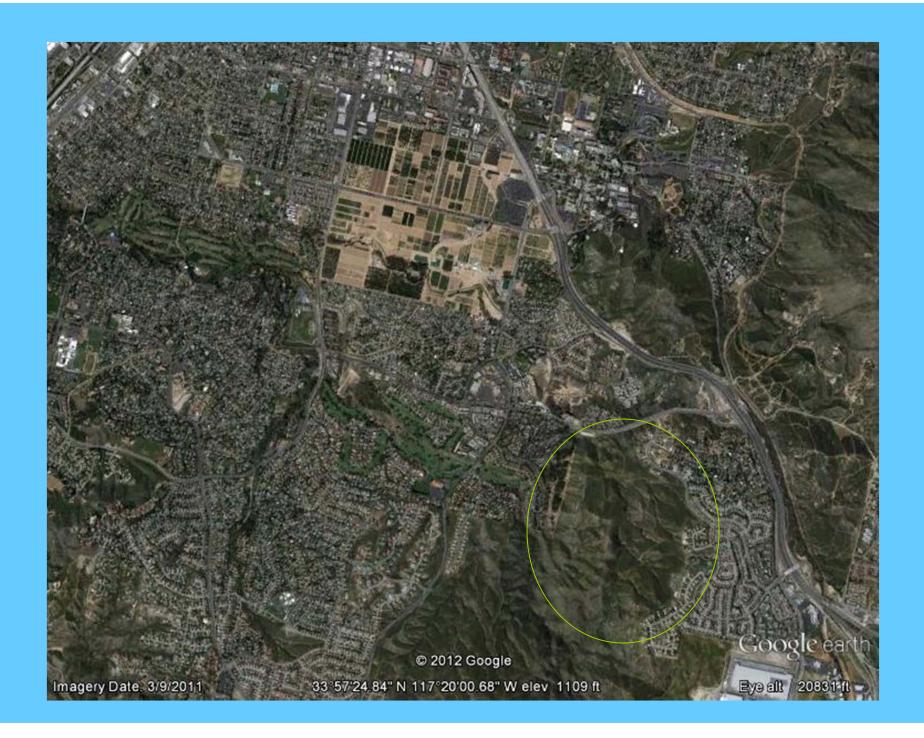


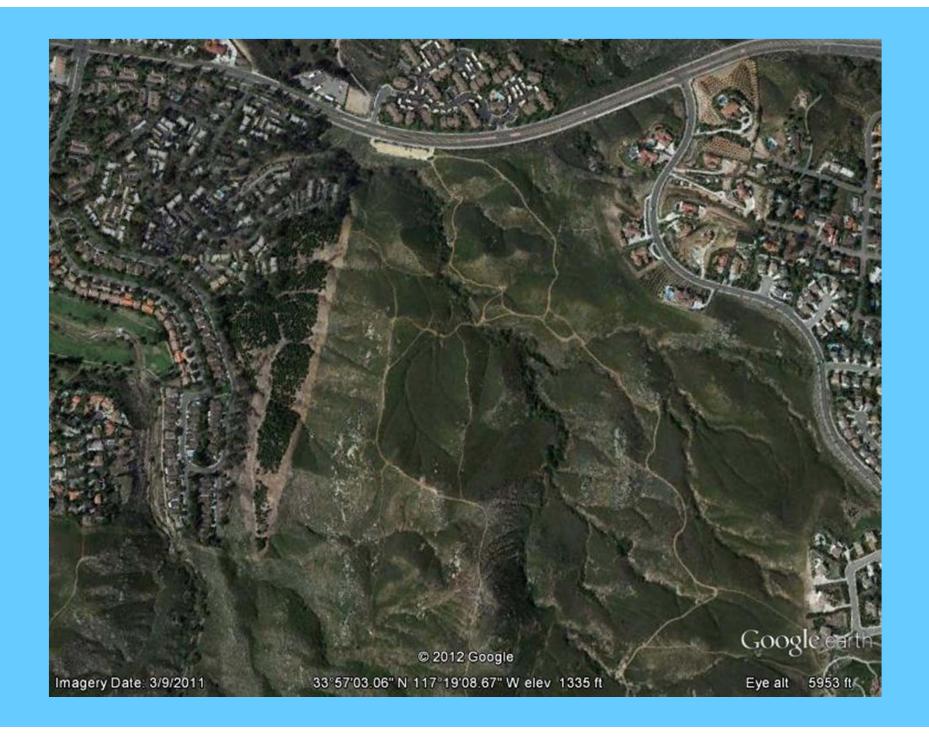












Ecological Landscape

- Structural complexity
- Community complexity
- Barriers or corridors for movement
- Host reservoirs or refuges
- Different values and suitability for control tactics



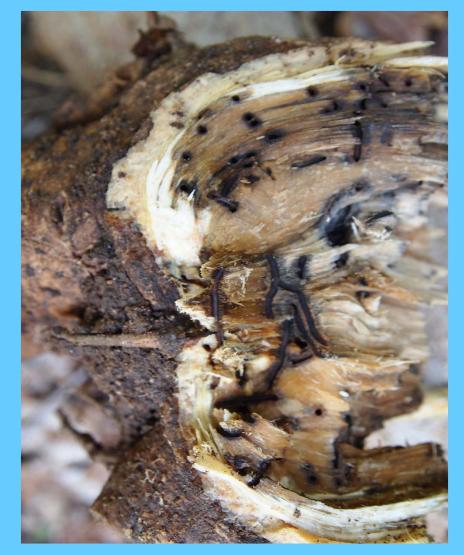
Understanding the Biology

- Background Information
- Life history and reproduction
- Environmental limitations
- Hosts at risk
- Seasonal activity
- Flight distance/ duration



Understanding the Biology

- What are the fungal associates
- How do they interact with the different hosts
- How do they interact with the success of the insect
- How do these interactions influence spread



Strategies to Limit Movement and Tactics for Management

- Routes of facilitated movement – identification and reduction
- Previous efforts with similar species – where are the successes



Trapping

- Assess population activity and relative abundance
- Trap design purple prism, multiple funnel, yellow card
- Attractive lures

Biological Control

- Native natural enemies
- Potential for introduced natural enemies
- Biological control of fungal associates



Chemical Control

- Insecticides and bark beetles
- Systemic insecticides

 injections and
 drenches
- Contact insecticides barrier sprays
- Value of trees and cost of treatments



Cultural Control and Sanitation

- Tree removal
- Treatment of slash and debris
- Chipping or grinding
- Solarization and composting
- Firewood movement



Research and Implementation

- New species and new environment
- Start with the experience of others

 related species or different environments
- Adapting methods to the California conditions and California stakeholders

