

# 5 THINGS you can do



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Rapid 'Ōhi'a Death, a newly identified disease caused by a fungus (*Ceratocystis*) is killing 'ōhi'a, one of Hawaii's most important and abundant native trees. Hundreds of thousands of trees have been killed on Hawai'i Island and the disease has the potential to affect forests statewide.



## 1 AVOID INJURING 'ŌHI'A

Wounds serve as entry points for the fungus and increase the odds that the tree will become infected and die from ROD. Avoid pruning and contact with heavy equipment wherever possible.



## 2 DON'T TRANSPORT 'ŌHI'A INTER-ISLAND

Comply with the new quarantine rule to help prevent ROD from spreading. Don't move 'ōhi'a plants, whole or parts, 'ōhi'a wood, or soil from Hawai'i island without a permit.



## 3 DON'T MOVE 'ŌHI'A WOOD

Don't move 'ōhi'a wood, firewood or posts, especially from an area known to have ROD. If you don't know where the wood is from, don't move it.



## 4 CLEAN YOUR GEAR & TOOLS

If you must work around or cut 'ōhi'a, clean tools and gear before and after use, especially when used on infected 'ōhi'a. Brush all soil off of tools and gear, then spray with 70% rubbing alcohol. Shoes and clothes should also be cleaned before and after entering forests. Wash clothes with hot water and soap.



## 5 WASH YOUR VEHICLE

Wash the tires and undercarriage of your vehicles with detergent and remove all soil or mud, especially after traveling from an area with ROD and/or if you have traveled off-road.