

Tree Disease Access Restrictions. Please Help the Forestry Commission Tackle a New and Significant problem.

You may have seen news reports of Sudden Oak Death or Phytophthora Ramorum infection.

It is now infecting larch trees in the South West of England, and has now spread to South Wales, at is at its worst between the Neath and Rhondda valleys.

The Forestry Commission is undertaking a massive felling operation to limit the spread, and may have to restrict access in the worst affected areas as the spores can be spread in water and mud carried by vehicles, walkers, bikes etc.

Members are advised to avoid off-tarmac activity in those areas and certainly to respond to any bio-security advice and restriction notices that The Forestry Commission may apply.

Further and more specific info is available on the FC web site:

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/INFD-85TDX6>

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