

**WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**San Juan County Plant Problem Diagnosis Form**

<http://extension.wsu.edu/sanjuan/master-gardeners/>

**Please fill out this form completely.** Circle any choices and add specific descriptions where possible. The more information you provide about both the PLANT and the ENVIRONMENT the more accurate diagnosis and advice we can provide. *Please attach an additional page if you need space to add comments.*

Due to restrictions with the COVID 19 outbreak, we are unable to take plant sample material at this time. Please include one or more photos of your plant problem and submit to: [mg.sanjuancounty@wsu.edu](mailto:mg.sanjuancounty@wsu.edu)

<i>Name:</i>	<i>Email:</i>
<i>Address:</i>	<i>Phone:</i>
<i>Date Sample collected:</i>	
<i>Master Gardener Contact:</i>	<i>Date Received by MG Program:</i>

**Please describe the problem you want help with:**

*Plant Information – please circle choices and/or describe for questions below.*

- 1) Plant name and variety/age or date planted/size of the plant:
  
- 2) What type of plant is it? (circle): Broadleaf Tree, Conifer, Shrub, Vine, Tree Fruit, Small Fruit, Ground Cover, Vegetable. Other:
  
- 3) When did you notice the problem? (Example: August 2017, after a dry spell) and did the plant appear healthy before the problem?:
  
- 4) Describe how problem progressed and is progression gradual or rapid?
  
- 5) What is the pattern of problem? (circle): Top Down, Bottom Up, Inside Out, Only One Side and which direction? N, S, E, W
  
- 6) How many plants affected? (circle): Single, Scattered, Group of Same, Group of Different
  
- 7) What parts of the plant are affected? (circle): Whole plant, Trunk, Branches, Leaves or Needles, Flowers, Fruit, Roots

8) Is the plant (circle): Spotted, Wilted, Distorted, Weepy or Sticky, Rolled, Holey, Chewed or Partially Gone, Yellowed, Browned or Red, Rotted, Stunted?

9) How was plant originally planted? (circle): Bare Root, Balled and Burlapped, Peat Pot, Plastic Pot

*PLANT ENVIRONMENT - please circle choices and/or describe questions below*

10) Where is plant situated? (circle): Full Sun, Partial Shade, Full Shade

11) What is location of plant? (circle): Lawn, Bed/Mound, Greenhouse, Near Concrete or Wall, Near water/wet area

12) Is exposure? (circle): N, S, E, W, and is it Windy, Sloped, Salt-sprayed or Beach?

13) How do you water the plant? (circle): Hand, Sprinkler, Drip? Do you water the base or overhead? How often?

14) Is soil drainage good or poor?

15) What type of soil is it planted in? (circle): Sand, Loam, Clay. Has soil been supplemented with compost, potting soil, or top soil?

16) Have you used any chemicals on this plant or others in your yard? (circle): fertilizer, insecticide, fungicide, Weed- n Feed, weed killers? Please note if you know the brand or chemical name:

17) Please circle any of the following that have happened in your yard in the last 3-5 years: heavy equipment over soil, possible root injury from digging or trenching, trunk or bark injury from mower or weed-eater, extreme dryness or wetness, driveway, road paving or concrete work.

18) Did you notice any animal activity? If so, what type?

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For Use by Master Gardeners

Plant Problem Diagnosis \_\_\_\_\_

Recommendations:

Master Gardener \_\_\_\_\_

Date and type of contact \_\_\_\_\_  
(call, e-mail, letter, written materials sent)

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