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Preface

This book replaces “Forest Insect and Disease Field Guide” (Beatty 1983). Although amendments had been made to the former guide, our knowledge of forest insects and diseases has increased and some organisms have only recently been identified or found to cause significant damage. This new guide is designed to be practical for the field. Not every forest insect or disease of the Southwest is covered, but we have attempted to include those having significant ecological and/or economic impacts on forest resources such as recreation, wildlife, wood production, and watershed quality.

This field guide is divided into insect and disease sections, each with its own description, illustrations, and host index. Literature cited, glossary, and general index are at the end of this field guide.