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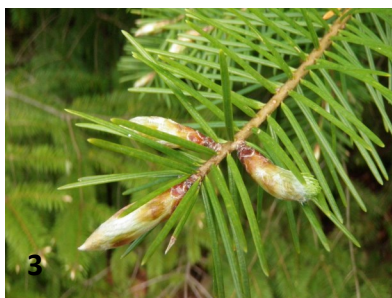


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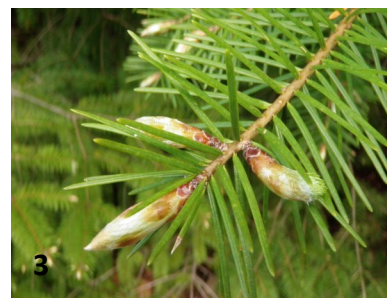


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1. Buds are hard reddish brown, thin & firm—report **NO**
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Phenophase: open pollen cones



Not Yet

1

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Report
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3

Phenophase: open pollen cones



Not Yet

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Report
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Phenophase: open pollen cones



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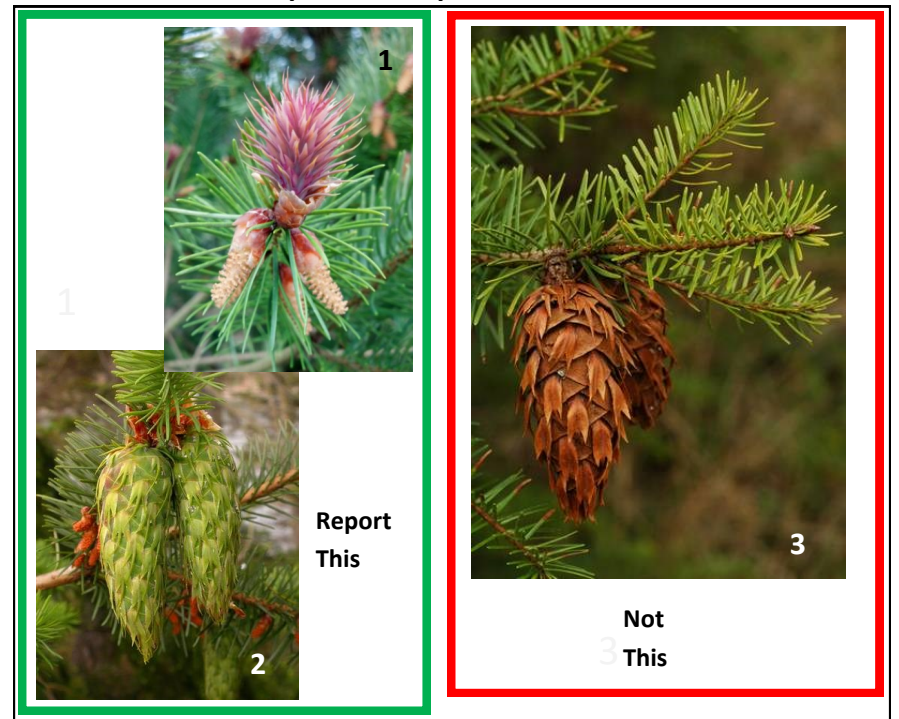
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For *Pseudotsuga menziesii*, an unripe seed cone is green or brown with scales closed together'

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2. Female seed cone, green with tightly closed scales —report **YES**
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1. Brown cone, looks fresh, just beginning to spread scales—report **YES**
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Phenophase: recent cone or seed drop



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