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## The devastating impact of the cycad aulacaspis scale (*Aulacaspis yasumatsui*)

Naples, Florida 2001-2002



*King sagos installed to be focal plants,  
are now dying eyesores in the landscape.*



*Queen sagos die rapidly due to severe infestations.  
This is the result after 2 years of scale assault.*



*Scale infestation on underground "pups" and beneath the plant layers of this "pup" attached to the mother plant.*



*These king sagos all died due to CAS.*



*The city of Naples gave up on the CAS scale battle and has ripped out the old king sagos in many of the median plantings.*



**Roots of cycad plant infested by cycad aulacaspis scale.**

*Photo by Jody Haynes  
(U.F. Dade CO. Extension).*

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