Early spring monitoring techniques for Grape Mealybug

This is a great time of year to develop and implement a grape mealybug sampling program. Crawlers of the overwintering generation should be hatching and moving to the spurs or canes and onto leaves as shoots grow.

Lucia Varela, UC IPM Advisor for the North Coast and Rhonda Smith, UCCE Viticulture Advisor, have developed a short video that describes the GMB life cycle, identifies targeted sampling areas, and demonstrates techniques for monitoring.

http://ucanr.edu/gmb sprung monitoring video