Both of these shrubs attract butterflies.

Which one won’t displace native island habitat?
DEAR CONSERVATION EASEMENT PARTNER,

If you answered the photo on the right, you were correct. Known as Pacific ninebark (*Physocarpus capitatus*), this profusely blooming native shrub sports shaggy bark and showy clusters of flowers that attract a variety of butterflies. On the other hand, the butterfly bush (*Buddleja davidii*, photo on left), when allowed to naturalize near our island ponds and streams, can displace native plants (like the Pacific ninebark) that would otherwise feed even more butterflies. You can do your butterflies – and the wildlife habitat on your property – a big favor by planting natives like the Pacific ninebark.

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Sincerely,
The San Juan Preservation Trust