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Executive Director H. Michael Harrington
Western Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors
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Colorado State University
Fort Collins, 80523

Dear Director Harrington:

The Executive Director on behalf of the Regional Directors Association has RECOMMENDED APPROVAL of the following MRF project W-1187 – Interactions among Bark Beetles, Pathogens, and Conifers in North American Forests (from W187) beginning October 01, 2004 through September 30, 2009.

CSREES concurs with the recommendation of the Executive Director and has APPROVED this project. A copy of the approved MRF project outline will be available to all participating stations and agencies via the National Information Management and Support System.

Sincerely

for GARY L. CUNNINGHAM

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Associate Administrator, CSREES

For all other project and program concerns, please contact us at 202-720-0747 or email <u>bhewitt@csrees.usda.gov</u>