

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
between

Washington State
Department of Agriculture

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(Name)

(Address)

and

The United States Department of Agriculture
Forest Service

on

Control of Forest Reproductive Material Moving
in International Trade under the OECD Scheme

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (referred to elsewhere in this document as OECD) in its adopted Scheme for the Control of Forest Reproductive Material Moving in International Trade sets forth definitions, lists of categories of Reproductive Materials, and presents production, inspection, sealing and labeling requirements. Six Appendices further explain and clarify the Scheme.

The Forest Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture has been assigned as the Designated Authority responsible for implementation of the OECD Scheme for Forest Reproductive Materials in cooperation with the official State seed certifying agencies.

Specific Understanding

1. The Forest Service authorizes the use of the official OECD certification label by the Washington State Department of Agriculture (Official State Certifying Agency) in accordance with the attached "OECD Scheme for the Control of Forest Reproductive Material Moving in International Trade" and amendments thereof, and with this memorandum.

A certificate of Provenance (or of Clonal Identity) shall be issued for each lot of OECD-labeled forest tree seed, plant, or parts of plants. If the forest reproductive material is located in this State, the certificate shall be issued by the Washington State Crop Improvement Association (Official Seed Certifying Authority in this State or its Designated Agent) or, if the forest reproductive material is located in another State which has executed a Memorandum of Understanding similar hereto, the Certificate shall be issued by the official Seed Certifying Authority in that State, or its agent designated by such memorandum. Such certificate shall be executed

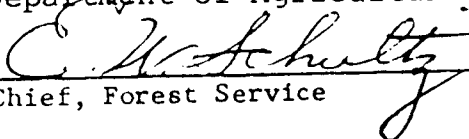
by the Seed Certifying Authority which issues it, on the basis that the forest reproductive material described has been produced in accordance with the OECD Scheme minimum requirements and such production, collection, processing, and storage certified by a qualified person acting on behalf of the designated authority or his designated agent.

2. The Washington State Dept. of Agriculture shall be responsible (Official State Certifying Agency) for determining that Forest Reproductive Material produced under the OECD Scheme for Forest Reproduction Material (1) complies with the requirements and procedures of the OECD Forest Reproductive Material Scheme and other requirements as set forth in paragraph 1. of this document and such additional standards as may be adopted by OECD; (2) meets the applicable production standards of the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies; and (3) is tested when requested or required in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Association of Official Seed Analysts of America.
3. This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective January 1, 1971 and shall continue indefinitely, but may be modified or discontinued at the request of either party upon 30 days' written notice in advance of the effective date or by the Forest Service for noncompliance by the signatory agency with the requirements and procedures prescribed by this Memorandum of Understanding.
4. The Wash. State Crop Improvement Assn. will represent the (Responsible Certifying Official) State Department of Agriculture (State agency executing this Memorandum of Understanding) in carrying out the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.

The Cooperative Forest Management Division, State and Private Forestry, will represent the Forest Service in carrying out the provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding.



Signature and Title, State of Washington
Cameron S. Adams, Deputy Director
Department of Agriculture



Acting Chief, Forest Service