Narrative agreement for USFS funding of:

"Developing inventory tools and management planning documents for emerald ash borer in Oregon ash forests"

The expectations for this work are as follows:

-Work sufficiently closely with the EAB Task Force’s Research, IPM and Survey & Monitoring Subcommittees to ensure efficiency and avoid duplication of effort.  
-Keep Karen Ripley, USFS Forest Health Monitoring Coordinator Region 6,  reasonably informed of activities and accomplishments.  
-Work closely with Alex Gorman (OSU Extension) and Patrick Shuls (WSU Extension) to accomplish the following objectives:

1. Develop a standardized Oregon ash inventory template:

a. Targeted to moderate sized parcels (300-2000 acres) of Oregon ash (*Fraxinus latifolia*)-relevant properties in Oregon and Washington. These could be non- industrial private forest landowners and publicly owned such as a WDNR conservation area, National Wildlife Refuge properties, BLM or FS properties.

b. That will gather information on specific trees (maturity, seed bearing, importance qualities) so select trees can be considered as candidates for chemical protection.

c. That will gather site information (riparian qualities, soil, flood probability, annual inundation depth and duration) so the places that Oregon ash grows which are likely to be inappropriate or appropriate for establishment and occupation by alternate tree species can be identified.

2. Pilot this inventory template on at least 3 properties.

3. Provide and interpret the resulting information to those landowners or land managers, and their chosen extension or consulting foresters.

4. Prepare management strategy outreach materials (for similar landownerships, above), to guide them in identifying and implementing their management goals for before, during and post-EAB invasion.

5. Identify specific options suitable for research and monitoring that such landownerships can participate in.

6. Facilitate respectful relationships with each of these landowners.