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Fire equipment vendors invited to information session

FREDONIA, Ariz. – The USDA Forest Service Southwestern Region announces an information meeting for vendors interested in providing resources to support wildfires and other emergency incidents. The meeting is scheduled Jan. 7, 2015, from 1 to 4 p.m. MST via video teleconference at Forest Service offices throughout Arizona.

The meeting will discuss a variety of topics including the following:

- How to become a government vendor
- How to locate and respond to solicitations through the Virtual Incident Procurement (VIPR) system
- How to read and understand contract requirements for specific equipment

The Southwestern Region is seeking competitive quotations for the following resources for fiscal year 2015:

- Miscellaneous Heavy Equipment (Feller Bunchers, Masticators, Road Graders, Skidders)
- Mobile Laundry Units
- Potable & Gray Water Trucks and Trailer-Mounted Handwashing Stations

Interested vendors can obtain copies of the solicitations at https://www.fbo.gov. Type VIPR into the keyword search box and press Search to obtain a list of VIPR solicitations from all over the country. Look for the ones from the Southwestern Region, Region 3.

Vendors can attend the meeting at the following Kaibab National Forest office location:

North Kaibab Ranger District 430 South Main, Fredonia, AZ (928) 643-7395

Other Forest Service office locations in Arizona that will be hosting the session are as follows:

- Apache-Sitgreaves NFs—Supervisor's Office, 30 S. Chiricahua Drive, Springerville, AZ
- Coconino NF Supervisor's Office, 1824 S. Thompson Street, Flagstaff, AZ
- Prescott Fire Center, 2400 Melville Road, Prescott, AZ
- Tonto NF—Supervisor's Office, 2324 East McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ
- Tucson Fire Center, 2646 E. Commerce Center Place, Tucson, AZ

For information about VIPR, go to http://www.fs.fed.us/business/incident/vipr.php or contact Anne Weiskircher, Region 3 Fire Contracting Officer at aweiskircher@fs.fed.us.

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