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Fire Equipment Vendors Invited to Information Sessions

FREDONIA, Ariz. – The USDA Forest Service Southwestern Region is hosting a meeting for vendors interested in providing resources to support wildfires and other emergency incidents.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 13, from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. via video teleconference at Forest Service offices throughout Arizona.

The meeting will discuss a variety of topics including:

- 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 water handling equipment, which includes engines, support water tenders, and tactical water tenders. Interested vendors can obtain a copy of Solicitation No. AG-8371-S-13-7000 at <https://www.fbo.gov>.

The meetings will be held at the following Arizona locations:

Apache-Sitgreaves NFs—Supervisor’s Office

30 S. Chiricahua Drive, Springerville, AZ

Coconino NF — Supervisor’s Office

1824 S. Thompson Street, Flagstaff, AZ

North Kaibab Ranger District

430 South Main, Fredonia, 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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