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Forest Service Holding Meetings for Fire Season Equipment Vendors

Albuquerque, NM. December 13, 2013. The USDA Forest Service Southwestern Region is hosting a meeting for vendors interested in providing resources to support wildfires and other emergency incidents. The teleconference meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 8, 2014, from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at Forest Service offices throughout New Mexico.

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 the following resources for FY2014:

- Mechanic with service truck
- Fuel tenders
- Tents
- Heavy equipment (dozers, excavators and transports)

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.

Vendors can attend the meeting at any of the following New Mexico locations:

Cibola NF — Supervisor's Office

2113 Osuna Road Northeast, Albuquerque, NM

Contact: Joan Gallagher; 505.346.3806

Gila NF — Supervisor's Office

3005 E. Camino del Bosque, Silver City, NM

Contact: Juan Ortiz; 575.388.8311

Santa Fe NF — Supervisor's Office

11 Forest Lane, Santa Fe, NM

Contact: Joseph Varoz; 505.438.5341

Lincoln National Forest - Smokey Bear Ranger District

Fire Operations Building

901 Mecham Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345

Contact phone: 575.434.7200

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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