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TO: Chuck Williams, Gary White, Frank Sorrells, David Epps, Bo Chesser, Area FMO’s, and Chief Rangers

FROM: Emily Hamilton

SUBJECT: NFP/VFA Grant Program Announcement

Please share the following information with fire departments serving communities with populations of less than 10,000 in your counties:

We will begin accepting requests for the NFP/VFA grant, which allows purchases from the options listed below on November 1, 2019. The attached grant application will be utilized to establish priority awards. Cooperating Fire Departments should return a completed application to RFD offices in Macon by mail, email or fax no later than 4:30 P.M. December 1, 2019. (See attached mail / fax information) Remember, a grant application is not valid unless signed by the appropriate head of the Government entity requesting assistance.

Options

1. Table 512.A and 544.A items allowed for purchase under this grant are shown online at ISOmitigation.com
   Note: Breathing Apparatus and Radios are not available for purchase under this grant!

2. Fire Department pump test equipment such as PTO gauges, Vacuum/pressure test gauges, deluge gun with nozzle tips, and RPM counters.

3. Emergency red lights and scene lighting.

4. Wildland PPE and hand tools.

5. Class A and/or B foam systems and foam.

6. This year we are also funding 50% of the cost of slip-on units with a maximum of $5,000 VFA Funding!

Non-Awardees will be notified of their status by mail. Awardees will be forwarded an information packet to include grant documentation instructions.

Grant parameters require awarded applicants to obtain 3 bids minimum on option and items purchased

This is a 50/50 matching grant! Fire Departments may qualify for reimbursement of up to 50% of $10,000.00 or $5,000.00 maximum per government entity. The 50/50 matching rule will apply to all amounts less than the maximum.

I am available to answer any questions you may have regarding the current NFP/VFA Grant.

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