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**To:** Regional Foresters, Station Directors, Area Director, IITF Director, Deputy Chiefs and WO Directors

  
**OPTIONAL REPLY DUE NOVEMBER 30, 2011**

Almost daily there are headlines or news stories about drought, water demand and supply, water quality, or endangered aquatic species. In many cases, National Forest System lands are involved and a Forest Service official may be quoted or cited in the story. It is vital that we are well-trained and ready to be an effective player in these valuable resource issues.

To help prepare Line and Staff Officers to meet these challenges, the **“Water Resource Management for Line and Staff Officers”** training course is scheduled for **February 27 through March 2, 2012**. The session will be held in Sedona, Arizona once again this year. Tuition for the course is \$500.00, which is transferable, though non-refundable.

The course was developed in the field by Forest Supervisors for field Line Officers and Program Managers. Previous participants have given the course high marks. The curriculum brings together a diverse group of experts in global, national, and state water resource issues. The course structure provides a seminar setting, case studies, and a field trip to offer participants an opportunity to gain valuable perspectives and interaction with their peers.

Forest Supervisors, District Rangers, Regional and/or Forest Program Managers are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.

The enclosed brochure provides more details on the session. Nominations for the course will be taken through AgLearn only (keyword: wo 2500 watershed management). Registration tips for getting around in AgLearn can be found at the following website:  
[http://www.fs.fed.us/biology/education/register\\_aglearn.html#accessing](http://www.fs.fed.us/biology/education/register_aglearn.html#accessing)

Please note the **November 30, 2011**, deadline for nominations. For further information on course content, please contact Dan Cenderelli at 970-295-5984. For further information on registration please contact Cande Read at 970-874-6609.

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