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

The National Solicitation Plan for Incident Blanket Purchase Agreements (I-BPAs) is updated for the 2015 season. See the resource categories planned for re-solicitation below. Execute all I-BPAs in the Virtual Incident Procurement (VIPR) System; VIPR provides the functionality for implementation of the 2015 I-BPA program.

With the implementation of a five-year solicitation cycle in 2014, re-solicitations for 2015 national solicitations, which include crew carrier bus, communication trailer, clerical support unit, helicopter operations support trailer, and geographic information system unit, will occur in 2019. Regional and local solicitations remain on a three-year solicitation cycle.

The 2015 regional solicitations include re-solicitations for gray water truck, potable water truck, and trailer mounted hand-washing station, portable toilet and portable hand-washing station, and mobile laundry. The 2015 local solicitations include re-solicitations for chipper and miscellaneous heavy equipment (feller buncher, mulcher/masticator, road grader, and skidder).

In accordance with the Federal Acquisition Regulation 13.303-6, contracting officers (COs) shall annually review agreements via the rollover modification in VIPR. I-BPA Policy (4G13.303-70) located in the Forest Service Handbook 6309.32 Federal Acquisition Regulation provides further direction.

Regional Fire and Aviation Operations staffs should conduct a needs analysis to identify equipment type and numbers for incident support and coordinate with their COs prior to issuing any solicitations or rollover modifications.

We appreciate everyone's dedicated efforts to implement and strengthen the I-BPA program. For questions or additional information contact Judy Dunnam, Washington Office-Acquisitions Management at [jldunnam@fs.fed.us](mailto:jldunnam@fs.fed.us) or Dave Haston, Washington Office-Fire and Aviation Management at [dhaston@fs.fed.us](mailto:dhaston@fs.fed.us).

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