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FIRE CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES COMING

VALE, OREGON-The Region 6 Fire and Aviation Contracting Team (FACT) will hold four public meetings to discuss the upcoming 2011 Fire Solicitations. These meetings are primarily focused on vendors interested in the new solicitations (see list below) and will provide a step-by-step overview of where to locate the solicitations, registration requirements, and the Virtual Incident Procurement System (VIPR) submittal process.

Target Audience:

Local fallers, mechanics, and owners of heavy equipment (dozers, excavators, transports), fuel tenders, helicopter support trailers, communication and/or GIS Trailers. All vendors are welcome; however, we especially encourage vendors new to the competitive VIPR process to attend. Most of our presentation will be directed toward first-time VIPR users.

2011 Solicitations:

The following solicitations are either currently posted to FedBizOps* or will be shortly: Heavy Equipment (Dozers, Excavators, and Transports), Fuel Tenders, Helicopter Support Trailers, Fallers, Mechanics, Communication Trailers, and GIS Trailers. ***Note:** To locate solicitations in the Pacific Northwest, go to www.fbo.gov and enter "VIPR" in the keyword/solicitation box.

Schedule: Each meeting will run from 6 to 9 p.m. The date and location of the public meetings are

January 24, 2011

Wenatchee Community Center
504 South Chelan
Wenatchee, Washington

January 25, 2011

Wild Horse Resort
72777 Highway 331
Pendleton, Oregon

January 26, 2011

Eagle Crest Resort
1522 Cline Falls Highway
Redmond, Oregon

January 27, 2011

Seven Feathers Resort
146 Chief Miwaleta Lane
Canyonville, Oregon

Attendance is optional. Questions will be answered at the meeting, but time is limited. You are encouraged to submit questions ahead of time to: fact@fs.fed.us. Updates or additional information will be posted to the USFS Acquisition Management web site: www.fs.fed.us/r6/ppm/fire_procurement.htm

About the BLM: The BLM manages more land – more than 245 million acres - than any other Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The Bureau, with a budget of about \$1 billion, also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. The BLM's multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

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