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The wildland fire agencies often hire equipment to aid with fire and other incident support. This handout is a brief summary of the procedures and basic requirements to contract for this type of work. In the Northern Rockies, we usually have a need for some vendor support every summer, but there is no way to predict the amount of activity or the level of support we will need, and there is no guarantee that that you will receive an order.

Most of our incident support equipment agreements are competed and awarded preseason on a 3-year basis through agency procurement programs. Please see the list of the equipment below that has been solicited and awarded preseason by the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. Other than our preseason competed agreements, we will NOT be keeping a source list of these types of equipment.

- Water Handling (Engine & Support Water Tender)
- Heavy Equipment w/ Water (Skidgines, Soft Tracks, Pumper Cats)
- Rental Vehicles
- Toilets and Handwashing Stations
- Ambulance /EMT/Paramedics
- Weed Washing Units
- Heavy Equipment (Dozers, Excavators, Feller Bunchers, Skidders, Graders, Transports)
- Professional Fallers
- Type 3 Caterer
- Gray Water Trucks
- Trailer Mounted Handwash Stations
- Bus-Crew Carrier
- Helicopter Support Trailer
- Mechanic with Service Truck
- Office Trailers
- Tents, Type 3 and 4
- Chippers/Masticators

We DO seek to have the following resources on a source list. If you wish to have your equipment on our source list, complete the online form linked at the top of page 3 on this handout. Being on a source list does NOT guarantee you will receive an order.

- Log Processors
- Log Forwarders
- Self-loading Logging Trucks
- Logging Trucks
- Vehicle with driver
- Refrigerator Vans
- Fuel Trucks
- Potable Water Trucks
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Any services, equipment or supplies not listed above will be sourced on the internet or in the local yellow pages.

Source list equipment will be required to pass an inspection at the time of hire. Please see the Northern Rockies Coordinating Group Chapter 20 Supplement to the NWCG Standards for Interagency Incident Business Management for equipment specifications. https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/committees/business/nr%20supplements/NR_2018_Chapter20.pdf

The following are the requirements to contract your equipment or services to the federal government.

- **Dun and Bradstreet (DUNS) Registration** - [http://www.dnb.com](http://www.dnb.com) or 1-866-705-5711
- **System for Award Management (SAM) Registration** - (This has replaced CCR & ORCA)
  - Use this link: [https://www.sam.gov](https://www.sam.gov). There is NO charge to register in SAM, but be aware there are companies asking for money to register you. Use the link above as it is the correct link and will NOT charge you.
  - If you are currently registered in SAM, please ensure your account is updated annually.
  - For assistance with the SAM Registration process or account updates, please contact your local Procurement Technical Assistance Center:
    - Idaho - [https://idahosbdc.org/specialized-services/government-contracting-ptac/](https://idahosbdc.org/specialized-services/government-contracting-ptac/)
    - North Dakota - [http://ndptac.org/services.cfm](http://ndptac.org/services.cfm)
- **Training and Work Capacity Testing**
  - **Heavy Equipment Operators** requires the Light Walk Test (walk 1 mile in 16 minutes or less). Carry the following, one copy during fire pre-use inspections & fire assignment:
    - A statement from the Company Owner that all individuals completed in 2019 the Annual Safety Refresher (RT-130) and Light Walk Work Capacity Test.
    - 2020 Health Screening Questionnaire signed by employee and company owner.
  - **All other fire personnel** that spend the night in fire camp and/or are assigned to the fireline that completed a 2019 Fire Safety Refresher & if required WCT, carry one copy during fire pre-use inspections and fire assignment:
    - A statement from the company owner that all individuals completed in 2019 the Annual Safety Refresher (RT-130) & Light Walk Work Capacity Test.
    - 2020 Health Screening Questionnaire signed by employee and company owner.
  - **All fire personnel not certified in 2019** must meet the current NWCG/NRCG training and physical fitness standards as defined in US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, Montana DNRC, or Idaho Dept. of Lands Incident Blanket Purchase Agreements and the NWCG standards for Wildland Fire Position Qualifications 310-1 (https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/pms310-1). In other words there are no 2020 exceptions for these individuals due to COVID19 pandemic.
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- See the document “Northern Rockies Approved MOU Training Providers” on the following site: [https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/equipment_supplies/agree-contract/training_mou/Providers.pdf](https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/equipment_supplies/agree-contract/training_mou/Providers.pdf)

There are many helpful links and helpful handouts on the NRCC website: [https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/equipment_supplies/agree-contract/agree-contract.htm](https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/equipment_supplies/agree-contract/agree-contract.htm)

**Click here** to submit your information to your closest Dispatch Center:

- **Billings Dispatch**
  24-hour Phone: 406.896.2900
  E-mail: blm_mt_bdc@blm.gov

- **Bitterroot Dispatch**
  24-hour Phone: 406.363.7133
  E-mail: SM.FS.mtbrc@usda.gov

- **Bozeman Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.624.3830
  E-mail: SM.FS.mtbzc@usda.gov

- **Coeur d’Alene Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 208.772.3283
  E-mail: idcdc@firenet.gov

- **Dillon Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.683.3975
  E-mail: SM.FS.mtddc@usda.gov

- **Grangeville Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 208.983.6800
  E-mail: SM.FS.idgvc@usda.gov

- **Great Falls Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.731.5300
  E-mail: mtdc@firenet.gov

- **Helena Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.444.4242
  E-mail: mthdc@firenet.gov

- **Kalispell Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.758.5260
  E-mail: SM.FS.mtkic@usda.gov

- **Kootenai Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.334.0239
  E-mail: SM.fs.mtkdc@usda.gov

- **Lewistown Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.538.1072
  E-mail: blm_mt_lec@blm.gov

- **Miles City Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.233.2900
  E-mail: mtmcc@firenet.gov

- **Missoula Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 406.829.7040
  E-mail: mtmdc_expanded@firenet.gov

- **North Dakota Dispatch**
  24-Hour Phone: 701.989.7330
  E-mail: mardell_dahlin@firenet.gov