Interagency Dispatch Implementation Project (IDIP) Computer Aided Dispatch Standardization (CADS) Update

May 28, 2015

The Forest Service WildCAD parent contract expires on June 15, 2015

- Acquisition Management cannot renew the existing sole-source contract.
- Acquisition regulations require competition every five years.
- All five agencies/bureaus own individual site licenses and can continue to use WildCAD indefinitely.
- Until June 15, 2015, employees can continue to contact the WildCAD help desk regarding operational issues.

The Forest Service plans to award a contract to operate and maintain the existing WildCAD systems to ensure ongoing support to all agencies/bureaus

- The Forest Service advertised an Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) solicitation for Operations and Maintenance (O&M) for WildCAD on <u>FedBizOpps.gov</u>: https://www.fbo.gov/?s=opportunity&mode=form&id=32c02c05c496068536f819e25de51b9a&tab=core&__cview=1.
- The solicitation closes on May 29, 2015.
- An interagency technical review panel will use defined criteria to evaluate responses to the O&M solicitation and make award recommendations to the Forest Service Contracting Officer.
- If the Forest Service is unable to award the O&M contract by June 15, there may be a short period during which there is no support to the current CAD system.

An Integrated Project Team (IPT) is developing requirements for a future CAD system.

- The interagency IPT includes subject matter experts from dispatch, Information Technology, contracting and program management.
- The IPT met the week of May 26 and reviewed numerous CAD systems currently in use.
- The IPT developed initial requirements for a Request for Information (RFI) that the Forest Service Contracting Officer will place on FedBizOpps.gov.
- The RFI will enable interested vendors to comment on the published requirements and provide feedback related to the draft technical specifications.
- This project is transparent, but the IPT must maintain confidentiality of draft and procurement sensitive information.

The Integrated Project Team (IPT) is seeking comments from the dispatch community and other interested stakeholder groups

- Interested people can send comments and/or questions to the IDIP inbox at any time: <u>idip@fs.fed.us</u>.
- Everything posted to FedBizOpps.gov is public information and is available for comment.
- The RFI will enable interested parties to comment on the draft requirements and will allow for broad internal agency/bureau review.
- The IPT is soliciting specific information from the dispatch community using an optional fillable pdf form: <u>CADS Input Form</u>.
- Additional information and updates will be posted to the <u>IDIP Website</u> at http://www.forestsandrangelands.gov/WFIT/applications/IDIP/index.shtml.