**GSA Fire Program**

The General Services Administration (GSA) Wildland Fire Program allows Rural Fire Districts (RFDs) to purchase fire equipment through GSA. DNR, through existing agreements with the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), can allow Washington RFDs to apply for direct access to GSA ordering. Those fire districts/departments that have a cooperative wildland firefighting agreement with DNR may apply to gain access to order from the GSA Wildland Fire Program. DNR has no financial responsibility for RFDs to participate.

“By working in partnership with the USFS, GSA Global Supply can help by offering a wide range of firefighting products to help support the critical mission. GSA has furnished wildland fire protection equipment and supplies to state, local, federal and USFS cooperating agencies via this special program for over 20 years.” (GSA Fire Program)

DNR has only two roles within the GSA fire program. The first is to confirm eligibility for an RFD to acquire an Activity Address Code (AAC). The second role is to track which RFD’s have been given AAC’s and notify USFS if there are changes in contact information.

If you are interested in participating in the GSA Wildland Fire Program, you will need to apply for an AAC. (See below for explanation) This is done, in part, through “sponsorship” by DNR. Once the AAC is requested by the USFS and assigned by GSA, the RFD is then authorized to buy directly from GSA. Refer to the below steps to start the process.

1. Fill out form letter found [here](http://www.dnr.wa.gov/Publications/rp_fire_gsa_request_form_letter.docx).
2. Email completed form letter on your agency letterhead to fepp\_assist@dnr.wa.gov .
3. DNR will verify eligibility requirements by ensuring the district/department has a cooperative agreement.
4. Upon verification, DNR will endorse and forward the form letter requesting an Activity Address Code (AAC) to the USFS for approval.
5. Verifying eligibility will take place two times a year. Deadline to confirm application eligibility will be October 25, 2013 and April 25, 2014.
6. The application will then be packaged up and submitted to the USFS in Washington D.C. The response back from D.C. with approval and AAC number usually takes 4 to 6 weeks. You will then receive a package of information for accessing the system.

Additional information can be found at:

GSA Wildland Fire Program <http://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/104500?utm_source=FAS&utm_medium=print-radio&utm_term=fireprogram&utm_campaign=shortcuts>