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Dear Cooperator:

The 2011 Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Grant Program forms are now posted on the Division's website at: [http://www.azsf.az.gov/grant\\_information/default.asp](http://www.azsf.az.gov/grant_information/default.asp) . Fire departments and other qualified applicants that meet the criteria identified are invited to submit project proposals to the State Forester's VFA Grant Manager. The Questionnaire and Project Proposal must be received by the Arizona State Forestry Division no later than **March 28, 2011**. Please contact your District Forester's Office with any questions or if you are unable to access the Arizona State Forestry Division website outlined above.

The grant program goals focus on four primary fire management elements: training, equipping, organizing rural fire departments, and fire prevention. The VFA Grant budgets from the Department of the Agriculture have not yet been finalized but the program is expected to be funded for 2011 by the United States Forest Service. Awarding of the grant is conditioned upon the availability of funds being appropriated. Distribution of these grant monies will be on a competitive basis, through a prioritization committee which consists of individuals of the Arizona State Forestry Division, federal land management agencies and other fire service professionals.

The standard application forms must be used. Applicants must complete Attachment B and C in Microsoft Word and submit electronically to the Arizona State Forestry Division by March 28, 2011. A printed copy shall also be mailed and postmarked prior to the deadline of March 28, 2011.

Postal Address: Arizona State Forestry Division  
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Email Address: [grants@azsf.gov](mailto:grants@azsf.gov)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Behrens', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

David Behrens  
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