

USE AND MANAGEMENT OF FEPP

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The responsibilities of the FEPP program are shared between the USDA Forest Service and the State Forester through the FEPP cooperative agreement. The State Forester may delegate some FEPP authorities, but must exercise overall responsibility for program management. The State Forester will assure the USDA Forest Service that all Federal Property Management Regulations are followed and that all employees comply with the regulations. CAL FIRE has made the commitment to comply with the regulations in order to remain active in the program. CAL FIRE has acquired over one third of the excess federal property available nationwide and has utilized the FEPP program as its main source of procurement at the Aviation Management Unit. CAL FIRE has proven its support of the program by assisting the Forest Service in providing a representative to participate on the National FEPP Study Group. This group sets Forest Service excess property regulation guidelines that are developed into policy. CAL FIRE has developed FEPP training manuals, classes, usage guidelines and inventory procedures. Additionally, the property office has played a major role in developing a fully automated property accountability system for the Forest Service.

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