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To: Regional Foresters, Station and Area Directors, Deputy Chiefs, WO Directors

The Washington Office, Geospatial Management Office, in collaboration with the Wildland Fire and Safety program, is pleased to announce the award of a one-year contract with Avenza Systems Inc. (www.avenza.com) for official use of the Avenza PDF Maps App for mobile devices. The Forest Service's Enterprise License for Avenza PDF Maps App is available for download through the Apple App Store, Google Play, or at https://www.pdf-maps.com/get-pdf-maps/. A Windows version is currently in beta and may also be obtained via the Windows app store by first contacting Avenza in order to get on the testers list.

The Avenza PDF Maps App allows users to get maps online via its in-app map store depository, or download and view maps offline on Android or iOS phones and tablets. The application has a few geospatial analytic capabilities that allow the user to locate, plot, measure, and collect data. It allows users to share maps offline with Bluetooth, and shows a blue dot locating the user on a map using GPS and geospatial PDF technologies. It also works with GeoTiffs. Users can share collected waypoints, tracks, and Google KML's collected in the field. Through the Forest Service Avenza Enterprise License Agreement, the application is available to all Forest Service employees. The contract allows for installation on multiple devices, either on government furnished equipment and/or personal devices. Please be aware that if you use a personal device for official duties, your device could be subject to a legal hold and inspected during any potential litigation. Although the risk of a personal device collection is low, if there were litigation, artifacts would require preservation and be subject to potential collection and review.

Forest Service employees requiring support for the Avenza PDF Maps App should contact the Geospatial Helpdesk queue through the Customer Help Desk. Customer Help Desk support is not available for personal use, or to cooperators without a Forest Service email account. The Geospatial Helpdesk can provide assistance for general installation and use of the application on your mobile device. The Helpdesk can also connect employees to training materials provided through the National Geospatial Training and Awareness Program. The Customer Help Desk can be contacted at 1-866-945-1354.

The National Geospatial Training and Awareness Program provide links to Avenza PDF Map Tutorials, other tutorial resources, and custom Forest Service training on the installation and use of PDF Maps. Initial training support focuses on installation of the application on mobile devises, uploading maps, and general use. PDF Maps training is found on the Geospatial Training and Awareness Web site.

If you have any questions, please contact Carl Zulick, Assistant Director/Geospatial Information Officer, at (703) 605-4599, or by email at cazulick@fs.fed.us.

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