

# **SPECIAL NOTICE**

## **TFS TRAINING TUITION GRANTS FOR THE 2010 TEEEX SUMMER MUNICIPAL FIRE SCHOOL**

The Texas Forest Service will provide HB 2604 Training Tuition Grants to qualified volunteer fire departments for attending the 2010 TEEEX Summer Municipal Fire School. Application for a Training Tuition Grant must be made on TFS Form FO-400, "Application for Rural Fire Defense Assistance." Please list the number of firefighters needing tuition and the dollar amount required. **Please help us by making a one-time-only application for a training tuition grant to this school. Amendments to an application will delay the grant approval process.**

**IMPORTANT ALERT FOR 2010: Beginning this year, the TEEEX Summer Municipal Fire School will no longer offer on-campus dorm lodging or meal card services for students. Reimbursement grants for on-campus lodging and meal card services will no longer be available.**

**NEW GRANT REIMBURSEMENT RATES:** The HB 2604 grant reimbursement rate for the 2010 TEEEX Summer Municipal Fire School has been increased. The new reimbursement rate will be a maximum of \$590 per trainee, not to exceed \$5,900 per department. This maximum cost-share rate will also apply to the 2010 TEEEX Industrial Fire School and the 2010 TEEEX Spring Fire School.

### **HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT...**

Complete a Texas Forest Service Application For Rural Fire Defense Assistance (Form FO-400). Mail or fax the signed application and an IRS W-9 form to the following:

Texas Forest Service  
John B. Connally Building  
301 Tarrow, Suite 304  
College Station, Texas 77840  
Fax: 979-845-6160

If an application is faxed, please call our office to confirm that we received it. Applications received on or after the course start date are not eligible for grant assistance.

**Applicants receiving grant approval prior to the enrollment cut-off date will receive an approval letter. A copy of this approval letter will be forwarded directly to TEEEX and will serve as a pre-paid enrollment voucher. Applicants approved for a grant after the enrollment cutoff date must pay all enrollment fees to TEEEX and then provide to TFS a paid invoice, photocopy of the course certificate, and proof of payment in order to be reimbursed. Pre-paid enrollment vouchers are offered only for the TEEEX Summer Municipal Fire School and the TEEEX Spring Fire School.**

The Application for Rural Fire Defense Assistance form may be acquired from the following website or by contacting the Texas Forest Service:

College Station (979) 458-6505  
Lufkin (936) 639-8100

<http://www.tamu.edu/ticc/>