



**TIFMAS GRANT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
FUNDING SUMMARY – MEETING 1
OCTOBER 19, 2010**

The 81st Texas Legislature passed Senate Bill 1011 in 2009. The law amended portions of the statute governing the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. By statute, the former TCFP Fire Department Emergency Program was abolished effective January 1, 2010. The funds from that program were transferred to the Texas Forest Service. These funds are now used for an entirely new grant program called the TIFMAS Grant Assistance Program. TIFMAS is an acronym for Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System. The program assists career and combination fire departments with grants for the purchase of TIFMAS apparatus, training tuition, PPE, and SCBA’s. Funds for the program are set at \$1 million per year.

The Texas Forest Service conducted the first TIFMAS Funding Meeting for FY 2011 on October 19, 2010. At that meeting, approximately \$800,000 in grant funds was awarded to Texas fire departments.

All departments awarded a grant at this meeting will receive official written notice of approval. Any applications for assistance not approved at this meeting will automatically roll forward and will be reviewed at future Funding Meetings.

The next TIFMAS Funding Meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 3, 2011.

First Meeting Approvals:

FIRE APPARATUS APPROVALS		
MIDLAND F D	Midland	TYPE 6 ENGINE
VERNON F D	Wilbarger	TYPE 6 ENGINE
TRAVIS CO ESD #6 (LAKE TRAVIS FR)	Travis	TYPE 6 ENGINE
LUFKIN FD	Angelina	TYPE 6 ENGINE
PHARR FD	Hidalgo	TYPE 6 ENGINE
GALVESTON FD	Galveston	TYPE 6 ENGINE
WEATHERFORD FD	Parker	TYPE 6 ENGINE
BORGER FD	Hutchinson	TYPE 6 ENGINE