We are requesting fiscal year 2015 proposals for the following three special project programs administered by Forest Health Protection (FHP) within State and Private Forestry:

1. **Forest Health Monitoring Program, Evaluation Monitoring (EM)** - A component of the Forest Health Monitoring program designed to determine the extent, severity, and causes of undesirable changes in forest health.

2. **Special Technology Development Program (STDP)** - A program to help move research results into practice by developing cutting edge technologies and field operation methods to improve the ability of field specialists to restore and protect America’s forests.

3. **Forest Service-Pesticide Impact Assessment Program (FSPIAP)** - A program to provide funding for evaluations of benefits and impacts of pesticide use in forest environments.

Project proposals must be submitted through Region and Area Directors and are due to the National Headquarters by November 7, 2014. Please follow the detailed directions listed at the following websites:

  For more information, please contact the Acting National Program Manager, Forest Health Monitoring Program, EM, at (703) 605-5343.

  For more information, please contact Marla Downing, STDP Manager, at (970) 295-5843 or mdowning@fs.fed.us.

Projects which are proposed to specifically develop technologies for the biological control of invasive plants will receive separate consideration from the other STDP projects. Visit the following link for more information on submitting biological control of invasive plant proposals: [http://svinetfc8.fs.fed.us/stdp/CallLetter/Biocontrol_Proposal_Guideline_2015.doc](http://svinetfc8.fs.fed.us/stdp/CallLetter/Biocontrol_Proposal_Guideline_2015.doc). Questions regarding the biological control program may be directed to Richard Reardon, Biological Control National Program Manager, at (304) 285-1566 or rreardon@fs.fed.us.
Regional Foresters, Station Directors, Area Director, IITF Director, Deputy Chiefs and WO Directors

  For more information, please contact Bruce Moltzan, FSPIAP Manager, at (703) 605-5336 or bmoltzan@fs.fed.us.

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