

2011 Required Sample Inspections Incentive Program

For the 2011 Required Sample Inspections Incentive program, the states can choose how to use the inspector incentive funds as long as the funds are used for expenditures that facilitate completion of the required inspections and strengthen the state's pool of inspecting foresters. AFF staff will work directly with state committees to develop a program that is appropriate for your state.

Program requirements:

- State programs must consider financial compensation for any inspector who incurs direct personal expense and make financial compensation available upon request.
- States are required to report on how they utilized the funds in their state reporting packet that will be sent out at the end of the year.
- State committees are responsible for issuing IRS 1099 forms to any individual who receives over \$600 in stipends in a calendar year.

Acceptable expenditures include, but are not limited to, stipends for inspectors, mileage reimbursement, awards, and workshops or training.

State committees that are not interested in participating in the incentive program should contact ATFS staff. Without indication, ATFS staff will consider the state committee participating.