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SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM:

Re-accreditation of two (2) colleges as Accredited Regional Training Program (ARTP)

Recommended Actions:

Staff is seeking State Board of Fire Services approval for re-accreditation of College of the Desert Community College and Rio Hondo Community College as ARTP's.

Background Information:

The Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) approved each of these training programs at their April 21, 2017 meeting. In accordance with State Fire Training Procedures Manual (2015), State Fire Training (SFT) staff conducted re-accreditation site visits for each of the subjected training facilities. Fire Academy coordinators introduced SFT staff to college administration, fire academy staff, college instructors, cadets, and former cadets, and members of the respective fire advisory committees. SFT staff was given a tour of the facilities and training grounds. SFT staff was able to visually confirm the availability of apparatus, tools, equipment, PPE, burn props, and training towers. SFT staff conducted a review of training documents, curriculum, and reviewed the security of all class data.

Analysis/Summary of Issue:

In every case, the above academies showed capacity for the delivery of the Firefighter I (2013) training program. All subject academies meet, and/ or exceed the requirements established by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. SFT staff was unequivocal in their recommendation for re-accreditation of these training partners.