Date: April 17, 2015

To: Ronny J. Coleman, Chairman
Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee
c/o State Fire Training

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SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM: National Fire Academy 2016 Course Call

Recommended Actions: Information/Discussion

Background Information:

The Office of the State Fire Marshal - State Fire Training (SFT) continues to partner with local Fire Service agencies to host and assist in the delivery of National Fire Academy (NFA) sponsored courses conducted throughout the State annually. These courses are delivered over two days. The NFA provides qualified instructors and pays the associated costs for delivery of these courses. Typically, a total of nine courses are provided to California each year.

Analysis/Summary of Issue:

The course call open enrollment period is from March 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015 for courses delivered from October 2015 to October 2016 (based upon the Federal fiscal calendar). SFT has partnered with the CSFA Volunteer Committee and will distribute courses to mostly volunteer departments within the State. SFT splits the number of courses equally between northern and southern California. SFT staff, DSFM Mike Garcia will maintain coordination between host agencies, SFT and the NFA, with DSFM Rodney Slaughter continuing to develop and monitor grant funding for this statewide program. A program update will be provided when all of the courses, dates of delivery and host agencies have been approved by the NFA (July STEAC meeting).