

## What is the VIPR Vendor Application?

The VIPR vendor application is an interactive, Web-based application that is designed to provide vendors with a user friendly, intuitive vendor solution.

The application uses wizard technology to provide step-by-step instructions to assist you in adding your resources into the VIPR system, finding solicitations that match your resources, submitting quotes on solicitations and amendments, and updating your company and resource information.

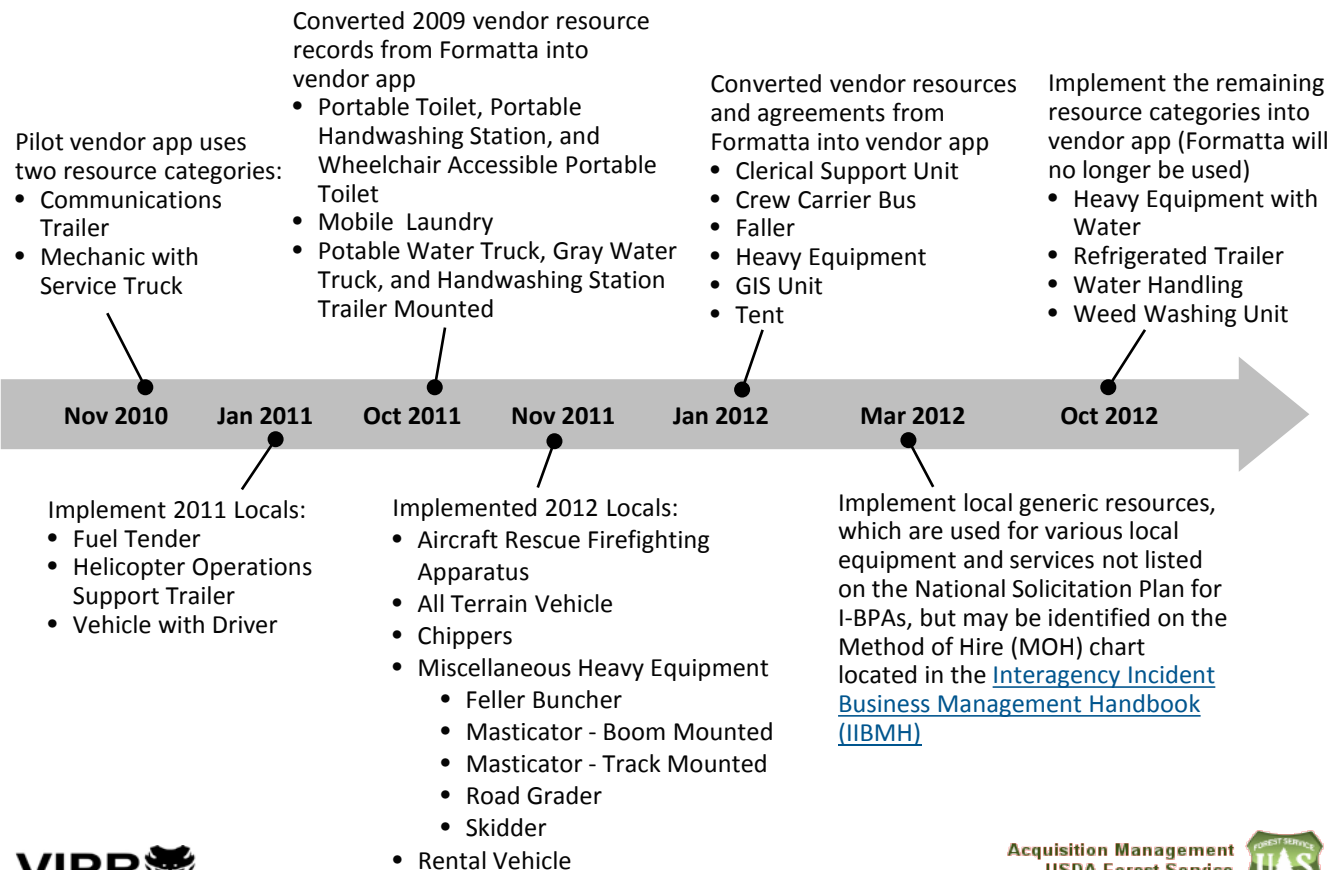


## Benefits

With the vendor application...

- You can manage your resources, quotes, and agreements online
- You can access the application from anywhere with Internet connection
- You have quick and easy access to all of the important documents: solicitations, amendments, your quotes, your agreements, and details about your resources
- You have access to online help as you work in the application

## Timeline of Implementation of the Vendor Application



## What Makes the Vendor Application Different from Formatta?

- **Vendor application provides one central location for doing all of your work and keeping track of your information...**
  - Company Information
  - Resources
  - Quotes
  - Agreements
  - Modifications
- **Alerts let you know about changes to solicitations and agreements...**In addition to email messages, there is an Alerts box in the application to highlight when a solicitation that you responded to has been amended, when you receive an award, and when an agreement has been modified.
- **Wizards walk you through every process...**
  - Entering your company information
  - Adding new resources or editing existing resources
  - Submitting quotes to solicitations
  - Responding to modifications
- **No form attachments to manage...**Enter your company information and resource information into the application only ONCE and then use and reuse it.
- **VIPR lets you know what your resource qualifies as...**
  - Once you enter attributes for your resource, VIPR uses the business specifications to determine what your resource qualifies as.
  - A single resource can qualify for more than one type within a resource group, but you will only need to enter your resource information ONCE for that single resource.
- **Submitting a quote is a much simpler process...**
  - You can only select the resources that qualify for the solicitation you are responding to
  - Rates and dispatch centers are not captured on the resource forms, but rather in the quote submittal process
  - You do not need to attach your company form to the quote, because VIPR automatically includes your company information in the quote
- **Work that you have started is saved for when you are ready to continue...**If you have started a quote, but don't finish it or wish to resubmit a quote, the information you have already entered and saved in the Wizard is retained until you are ready
- **Updates to company information are automatically picked up in quotes; no resubmittal is needed...**If you update your company information after submitting quotes to solicitations and/or amendments, no resubmittal is needed; the updated information is automatically applied to your quotes. NOTE: If you update your company information after receiving an award, a modification is still needed to pick up the changes.
- **New versions of forms will retain your original information...**If there are new versions of the vendor company and/or resource forms in the application, your existing data is preserved and you only need to address new or changed fields on the forms; you will NOT have to re-enter all of your data.