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**ARDC Releases Sprinkler Installer RFQ for
Wildfire Mitigation “Sprinkler” Program**

(Duluth, MN) —The Arrowhead Regional Development Commission (ARDC) has released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the Arrowhead Wildfire Mitigation Sprinkler Program. The purpose of the RFQ is to solicit competitive proposals from qualified sprinkler installers whom ARDC will designate as qualified to install wildland external sprinkler systems for homeowners in high-risk wildfire areas in St. Louis, Lake and Cook Counties in Minnesota. A copy of the RFQ is available for download on the ARDC project website:
www.arrowheadplanning.org/wildfire.

Funding for the Sprinkler Program is made possible by a 2008 FEMA Legislative Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant, awarded to the ARDC through the State of Minnesota. The grant provides seventy-five percent cost-sharing to homeowners in Cook, Lake, and St. Louis Counties for the installation of an external structure sprinkler system for protection of their property from wildfires.

Sprinkler installers who would like more information may contact Bonnie Hundrieser (ARDC) at 218-529-7527 or bhundrieser@ardc.org.

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