

STATE OF NEBRASKA



Pete Ricketts
Governor

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Governor Pete Ricketts and
Patrick J. O'Donnell, Clerk of the Legislature
State Capital
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Governor Ricketts and Mr. O'Donnell:

Nebraska Revised Statutes 81-827. Wildfire Control: Nebraska Emergency Management Agency; duties, states in part the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency shall prepare a report on or before December 1 of each year describing (a) the date and time of each request to deploy a Single-Engine Air Tanker (SEAT) is made to the agency, (b) the date and time a SEAT is deployed in response to the request, (c) an explanation of the reason for any delay of more than an hour from the time of a request for a SEAT and the time of the actual deployment of the SEAT, and (d) an explanation of the reason for the denial of a request to deploy a SEAT.

- Contract/Activation Period: July 15 through September 28, 2016 (75 operational days).
- State aerial suppression flights:

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>ACTION</u>
July 15 1728 hours	Highway 36 Fire South Dakota	Flight time and associated costs paid by South Dakota. SEAT was requested at 1728 and was on scene at 1748.
July 16 1933 hours	Rock (Rock Bass Reservoir) Fire Crawford-State Line	Request at 1933, diverted to Rock Bass Reservoir Fire at 1954 on scene at 1959. One flight applied 500 gallons of retardant.
July 17 1024 hours	Indian Canyon Fire South Dakota	Flight time and associated costs paid by South Dakota. Seat was requested at 1024 and was on scene at 1039.
July 23 1325 hours	Belmont Fire 10 mi. south of Crawford	Request at 1325 on scene at 1332. Four flights applied 2000 gallons of retardant.
July 27 1430 hours	Wildcat Fire South Dakota	Flight time and associated costs paid by South Dakota. SEAT was requested at 1430 and was on scene at 1444.
August 10 1637 hours	Montrose Fire Sioux Co, NE	Request at 1637 on scene at 1648. One flight applied 500 gallons of retardant.
August 21 1551 hours	Henderson Fire south of Gering in Banner Co	Request at 1651 on scene at 1635 (approximately 45 minute flight time). Three flights applied 1500 gallons of retardant.
September 5 1541 hours	Pass Creek Well Fire South Dakota	Flight time and associated costs paid by South Dakota. SEAT was requested at 1541 and on scene at 1558.
September 8 1633 hours	Preserve Fire South Dakota	Flight time and all associated costs paid by South Dakota. SEAT was requested at 1633 and on scene at 1645.
September 23 1401 hours	Auto Gate Fire 18 miles S. of Chadron	Request at 1401 on scene at 1407. One flight applied 500 gallons of retardant.
September 4 & September 22	Mission Currency Flights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These flights are a requirement to ensure pilot proficiency • Flights also used to train local fire fighters on ground to air coordination for SEAT operations as well as measurements for coverage of drops. On September 4 approx. 10 members of the Alliance VFD took part.

- **Associated Program Costs:**

2015 Balance Forward	\$ 57,567.33
Funding per LB 634	\$ 300,000.00
Additional Funding	\$ 62,520.00
Total Billed for SEAT 2016	\$ (250,410.49)
2016 Season	\$ 112,109.51
Total Balance Forward	\$ 169,376.51

Sincerely,



Bryan Tuma
Assistant Director

2116 SEAT Costs Breakdown

	15Jul to 31Jul2016	1Aug to 14Aug2016	15Aug to 28Aug16	29Aug to 11Sep16	12Sep to 25Sep16	Mob / Demob
USDA Forest Svc.	\$ 12,000.00					
Availability	\$ 37,092.00	\$ 35,552.00	\$ 36,828.00	\$ 36,828.00	\$ 46,376.00	
Flight Time	\$ 41,563.70	\$ 1,364.00	\$ 13,701.60	\$ 13,099.35	\$ 4,178.90	
Mileage	\$ 364.00	\$ 338.00	\$ 364.00	\$ 338.00	\$ 442.00	
Per diem	\$ 4,480.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 4,480.00	\$ 4,200.00	\$ 5,320.00	
Mobilization						\$ 16,710.00
Demobilization						\$ 16,710.00
Misc. NEMA Travel Costs	\$ 57.52	\$ 2,794.84	\$ 1,933.33			
<u>Fire Retardant</u>						
Expense						
Cost Recovery	\$ (14,227.50)	\$ (1,355.00)		\$ (7,208.60)		
SD Cost Recovery	\$ (27,704.60)			\$ (9,238.35)	\$ (21,238.00)	
Amt. billed to GEF	\$ (12,231.10)		\$ (13,701.60)			
Crew Change	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 3,200.00	
	\$ 44,594.02	\$ 46,093.84	\$ 46,805.33	\$ 41,218.40	\$ 38,278.90	\$ 33,420.00
Other SEAT flight Costs Direct Billed	\$ 16,560.35	\$ 5,996.65		\$ 8,664.35		