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NEWS RELEASE



AMITY FIRE DISTRICT TAKES DELIVERY OF NEW WILDLAND FIREFIGHTING APPARATUS.

Amity Fire District is proud to announce the delivery of the newest piece of apparatus in our fleet. This specialized light brush engine will allow us to serve the citizens of our district for many years. The type 3 brush truck is constructed from a 2018 Ford F-550 with a 6.7 liter Power Stroke diesel and equipped with four wheel drive. It has been heavily customized with a warn winch and a buck stop tube bumper to protect the truck in rugged terrain. It holds 500 gallons of water on a custom diamond plate bed manufactured by Cascade Fire Equipment in Medford Oregon. The truck is also specially equipped with quick attack capability. This means that upon arriving at the scene of a field fire the engineer can flip two toggle switches to the on position and start fighting fire using the bumper mount nozzle. This allows us to slow the forward progression of a fire by using a strong mist to take some of the heat out of the fire. This new piece of apparatus will be replacing our aging first out brush rig at station 5. This is the second piece of apparatus we have taken delivery of since the approval of our levy. Towards the end of 2017 we took delivery of a 2002 Pierce, International Type 3 wildland urban interface engine. This engine was purchased from the Bureau of Land management out of Southern California. We were able to bring this engine back to Amity and start customizing it. It took countless volunteer hours to be able to bring this engine into service. After installing high intensity LED emergency lighting, a new siren, both VHF and UHF radios as well as the full complement of the required equipment for the engine to be put into service as a type 3 interface engine. We are very excited to have both of these new pieces of apparatus to serve the residents of our district for many years to come. We were able to purchase both of these engines only because of the levy that was approved in 2016. We are very grateful for the continued support that our community shows the Amity Fire District. We encourage you to stop by Amity Fire District station 5 during normal business hours and take a look at your new engines.