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Poolville VFD receives a \$200,000 grant

POOLVILLE, Texas — Poolville Volunteer Fire Department adds a 2019 Freightliner large brush truck to their fleet thanks to a cost share grant through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program administered by Texas A&M Forest Service.

“This new truck is replacing an older one that was starting to have some mechanical issues,” said Assistant Fire Chief David Pruitt. “The new truck sits higher, carries more water and can maneuver better around the rough terrain that we normally see while fighting grass fires.”

According to Pruitt the truck’s primary mission is to meet the service needs of Poolville community and mutual aid with neighboring departments for wildland fires in their rural setting.

“The 950 gallons of water and structure equipment make it capable of a fast initial attack on a structure fire,” said Pruitt.

The truck is due to go into service on April 19 after all personnel have completed training.

“We look forward to having this new addition as part of our fleet,” said Pruitt.

Texas A&M Forest Service is committed to protecting lives and property through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program, a cost share program funded by Texas State Legislature and administered by Texas A&M Forest Service. This program provides funding to rural Volunteer Fire Departments for the acquisition of firefighting vehicles, fire and rescue equipment, protective clothing, dry-hydrants, computer systems and firefighter training.

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