



## **Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Fort Fraser Volunteer Fire Department – New Fire Truck Delivery**

**Burns Lake, B.C.** – The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako and the community of Fort Fraser recently celebrated the delivery of a brand-new Pierce Fire Engine from Commercial Truck and Equipment during a ceremony on October 15, 2022. Firefighters and local residents gathered to push the truck into the firehall in a traditional Fire Service act of dedication.

The new truck, which will allow the department to be better prepared to respond to fires throughout the Fort Fraser Fire Protection service area, is the first new truck in the department's history. Its purchase was supported by Northern Capital and Planning Grant funding, Capital Reserve Funds, and a generous donation from the Nechako-Kitimaat Development Fund. This made it possible for the truck to be purchased without any additional tax burden for residents in the service area.

"This new equipment is a strong example of collaboration between the Society, the RDBN and other levels of government to ensure that rural communities are well-served and have access to the infrastructure they need to provide efficient, reliable response without any additional tax burden downloaded to the local taxpayers. This is an incredible investment for the community."

-Mark Parker, Director for RDBN Electoral Area D (Fraser Lake Rural)

"Department members were thrilled to complete our orientation on the new truck. This purchase will ensure that the residents of Fort Fraser and the surrounding area have reliable equipment for emergency response for the next 20-25 years."

- Yvan Laramee, Fire Chief, Fort Fraser Volunteer Fire Department

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