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New County Fire Truck Arrives in Vermilion

COUNTY OF VERMILION RIVER, KITSYCOTY, AB

The County of Vermilion River is proud to announce the arrival of the newest addition to its fire apparatus fleet.

Yesterday, Rocky Mountain Phoenix, based in Red Deer, delivered a 2025 Freightliner M2 106 Pumper/Rescue truck with wildland interface capabilities to the Vermilion Fire Department, as part of the County's commitment to providing our residents and ratepayers with a high level of service for fire and rescue protection. The new truck, designated Pump #7-2, replaces an existing truck that is nearing the end of its operational lifespan for front line service and will be moved into reserve.

"This truck is a fine example of the collaboration between all our County Fire Districts", stated Director of Protective Services Kirk Hughes, "right from the beginning we engaged front-line staff, pump operators, and our vehicle maintenance technician to help build this truck from the ground up. It is hoped that this blueprint will be the standard moving forward for all County pumpers in the future."

On hand to help with the welcoming ceremonies were members of both County and Town Councils, including; Kevin Martin (Town of Vermilion), Reeve Marty Baker, Deputy Reeve Leslie Cusack, Councillor Stacey Hryciuk, and Councillor Jason Stelmaschuk (County of Vermilion River). Vermilion Fire Chief Anton Krys and County Fire Chief Kirk Hughes took delivery of the truck from Steve McEachern around 2 p.m. The truck was immediately placed into service and is ready to respond to emergencies.

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