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Woodson VFD receives \$12,973 grant to improve fire truck

December 12, 2016 — **WOODSON, Texas** — Woodson Volunteer Fire Department has enhanced its fire service capabilities with the help of a \$12,973 grant from Texas A&M Forest Service's Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program. They purchased a new slip-on unit for one of the department's existing trucks.

A slip-on unit is designed to be a fast initial-attack firefighting unit; durable and highly mobile. It is used in wildland firefighting as well as structure and auto fires

"This slip-on unit is a new addition to our department, it is the first new slip-on that we have ever had," said Woodson VFD Chief Brady Miller. "It has a 400-gallon water tank and a 10-gallon foam tank that was installed onto the back of a 2007 one-ton dually Ford pickup truck that will be used as our first out vehicle."

Woodson VFD, established in 1975, serves a population of approximately 500 people in over 921 square miles of Throckmorton County.

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 the Texas State Legislature and administered by Texas A&M Forest Service. This program provides funding to rural VFDs for the acquisition of firefighting vehicles, fire and rescue equipment, protective clothing, dry-hydrants, computer systems and firefighter training.

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