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Crockett Fire Department receives surplus military truck and \$20,000 slip-on grant

CROCKETT, Texas — The Crockett Fire Department received a surplus military vehicle, that was provided through the Department of Defense Firefighter Property Program. It also received a \$20,000 grant through the Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program to install a slip-on unit on the truck.

The truck has been painted nonmilitary colors, which is a stipulation of receiving the truck, and it has been outfitted with a large water tank and pump unit. The truck will be able to go into brush and forested areas, which will serve the department well in the suppression of wildfires. It will also serve as a valuable resource in water rescue operations.

The Crockett Fire Department is always looking for volunteers and provides training. For more information, call (936) 544-5553.

The department would like to thank the Texas A&M Forest Service for providing grant opportunities. "This will help us better serve our community. We are a smaller department with limited funding, and this will help us provide the services that our community needs," said Jason Frizzell, Crockett FD Fire Chief.

As a member agency of the Texas A&M University System, Texas A&M Forest Service is committed to protecting lives and property through various fire department assistance programs. The Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program is funded by the Texas Legislature and provides cost-share 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.

For more information on programs offered by Texas A&M Forest Service, visit texasfd.com.

