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County Delivers Fire Truck to the Town of Wembley

Today, the County of Grande Prairie turned over the keys to a new fire engine to the Town of Wembley.

The 2012 Pierce wildland urban interface 4x4 firefighting unit will replace a 1994 engine. The unit has the capacity to safely transport five firefighters; carry 1000 gallons of water; and pump 1250 gpm (gallons per minute), double the current unit's capacity. The pump-and-roll capability allows the vehicle to simultaneously move position while effectively fighting a fire.



Picture above from left to right: County of Grande Prairie Fire Chief, Everett Cooke; County of Grande Prairie Councillor, Ross Sutherland; Town of Wembley Mayor, Chris Turnmire; Town of Wembley Fire Chief, Richard Querin.

“We are proud to deliver this new fire engine to one of our regional partners,” said County Area Councillor Ross Sutherland. “This is one of many initiatives the County and Town of Wembley have partnered on to ensure the safety and protection of all of our citizens.”

“The Town of Wembley and Wembley Fire Department are welcoming the addition of the new fire truck, as part of the mutual agreement that we have with the County.



Wembley has an excellent relationship with the County, and the addition of this piece of equipment will enhance our ability to continue to provide emergency services to this area of the County as well as the Town of Wembley,” added Chris Turnmire, Town of Wembley Mayor.

County Fire Chief Everett Cooke stated, “We are adamant about providing high-quality lifesaving equipment to our regional fire stations. This isn’t just about protecting our residents, communities and region efficiently; it’s about keeping our dedicated firefighters who risk their lives for us on a daily basis as safe as possible.”

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