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NEW BRUSH TRUCK

In many years and especially during droughts, we lose thousands of acres of wildland to out-of-control fire in terrain that is hard to reach with ordinary fire equipment. Brush trucks are crucial to containing these types of blazes.

North County Fire Protection District has taken ownership of a Placer Model 34 Type-3 Brush Engine. This unit is quipped with 4-wheel drive for better off highway use and a CAFS (Compressed Air Foam System) for enhanced structure protection during wildland fires.

This brush truck is like many of the Calfire trucks that operate up and down the state. The District serves a residential population of more than 45,000. The department's response area encompasses more that 92 square miles, a large portion of that is considered wildland-urban interface. This new engine will be replacing an older unit that has been in service for twenty-two years and will be used as a back-up vehicle in reserve status.

North County Fire will have the new Brush Truck on display at its next board meeting, which will be held at Fallbrook Public Utilities District, located at 990 E. Mission Rd, on October 21 @ 5:00pm.



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