

Press release: Lake Dillon Fire takes delivery of new tactical water tender



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Lake Dillon Fire took delivery today of a new tactical water tender that will help combat wildfires, structure fires and vehicle fires – particularly in parts of the district without hydrants.

With a 3,000-gallon tank, a 750 gallon-per-minute pump and a portable pump and rubber-sided swimming pool-like “drop tank” that can be filled and left as a water supply for firefighters, the 2017 Rosenbauer tender will serve as an important addition to the LDFR tool box.

“This tender is perfect for wildfires in our wildland-urban

interface – where we have homes nestled in the woods – and for responding to incidents such as truck fires on Interstate 70, where there is no ready water supply,” said Lake Dillon Fire Chief Jeff Berino.

The new tender, which cost \$310,000, replaces a 30-year-old Pierce Arrow tender that Lake Dillon Fire sold to the fire department in Terry, Mont.

Lake Dillon Fire personnel conducted pump and performance tests on the tender today and will be outfitting it with equipment and tools and expect to put it in service within the next two weeks.

Among other benefits, the additional pump capacity provided by the tender will garner points from the Insurance Services Office, which establishes ratings for property taxes.