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**McMahan VFD adds new slip-on unit to fleet**

**Jan. 22, 2016 — DALE, Texas** — McMahan Volunteer Fire Department has been hard at work replacing aging equipment.

An \$18,000 grant from Texas A&M Forest Services' Rural Volunteer Fire Department Assistance Program enabled the department to purchase a new slip-on unit.

“Our goal is to begin replacing the older equipment with more cost effective apparatus which in turn will help us better serve our community,” said McMahan VFD President Brian McNabb.

The new unit has a compressed air foam system, which delivers fire retardant foam — extinguishing a fire or protecting unburned areas.

Volunteer firefighters operate 85 percent of the fire departments in Texas. This year TFS will pass approximately \$24.3 million to VFDs across the state. The grants aid them in purchasing equipment and obtaining vital firefighter training, giving them greater capabilities to protect life and property in their communities.

To learn more about this program visit [texasfd.com](http://texasfd.com).

