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NEW \$530,000 FIREFIGHTING TRUCK FOR RICHMOND

A new \$530,000 multi-purpose fire truck has been delivered to Richmond Fire Station, enhancing Fire and Rescue NSW's (FRNSW) emergency response capability in the Hawkesbury region.

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP was joined by FRNSW Deputy Commissioner Jeremy Fewtrell at Richmond Fire Station today to officially hand over the keys.

"The multi-purpose vehicle is an Isuzu four-wheel drive and is equipped with a water spray system to protect the crew, a compressed air foam system and a 3,500 litre water tank," Ms Preston said.

"This new asset will enable our firefighters to access fires in difficult terrain as well as respond to structural fires, rescues and other emergency incidents right across the Hawkesbury region.

"I'm proud to be part of the NSW Government which is providing our fantastic firefighters with the best equipment and technology available to support their efforts in protecting both people and property.

"We continually see examples of our firefighters working to keep the community safe in emergency situations, and I offer my sincere thanks to all FRNSW personnel."

Deputy Commissioner Fewtrell said FRNSW provides its firefighters with modern vehicles with top-of-the-line capabilities to protect NSW families.

"We welcome this new truck which will allow our firefighters to be as prepared as they can be to meet the constant threats posed by bushfires, other fires and emergencies across the State," Deputy Commissioner Fewtrell said.

"We remain prepared for any situation, anywhere, anytime in protecting the people of NSW and this new vehicle will add to that preparedness."

As a result of the NSW Bushfire Inquiry recommendations, more than \$460 million has been invested in new and upgraded firefighting equipment, technology and trucks across NSW since the devastating Black Summer bush fires in 2019-20.

FRNSW replaces approximately 40 vehicles each year with new and modern vehicles as part of a \$17 million NSW Government funded program.