

# Rescue Fire Protection District

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# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

2007

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March 12, 2008

Board of Directors Rescue Fire Protection District 5221 Deer Valley Road Rescue, CA 95672

Dear Board Members:

On behalf of the members of the Rescue Fire Protection District, I am very pleased to bring you our annual report.

Some of the highlights for 2007 were:

- ➤ Purchase of a Pierce Saber Type-I Engine.
- ➤ Implementation of the ALS Engine Company program.
- Hiring of one additional Fulltime Firefighter-Paramedic.
- ➤ No "Lost Time" injuries.

Personnel from the District also responded to some of the largest wildland fires in the history of California.

As we look towards the future, the District remains committed to providing our community with an ever expanding level of service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thomas Keating, Fire Chief Rescue Fire Protection District

## RESCUE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

#### **2007 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Francis Carpenter, Ken Humphreys, C.J. Smith, Matt Koht, Anne Walker

#### **FIRE CHIEF**

Thomas M. Keating

CAPTAINS
GARY PATTEN

MARK BARTLETT
GUY DELANEY

**ENGINEERS** 

CHRIS PAPER JOEL WARMAN\* **FIREFIGHTERS** 

BRETT JONES\*
RYAN JEREMICA
KEVIN MCBRIDE
BRIAN LEDUC\*

#### **2007 VOLUNTEER / PAID CALL STAFF**

CAPTAINSENGINEERSFIREFIGHTERSLARRY SMITHDAVID BLAKELAURA BLAKEDAN WILLIAMSDAN NELSON\*SCOTT BLAKE\*SAM WALKERDON WYLIEISAAC ENGLISH<br/>RYAN JEREMICA

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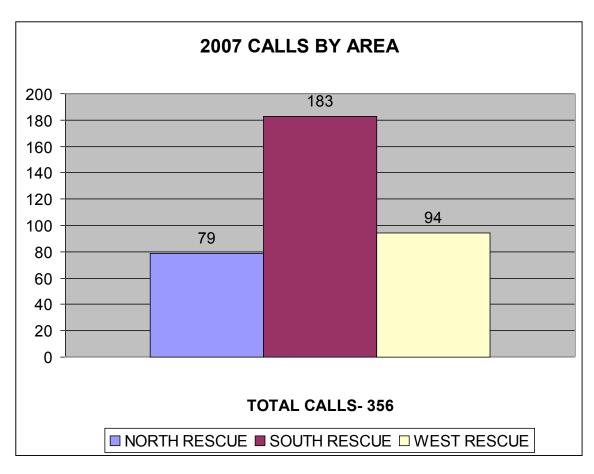
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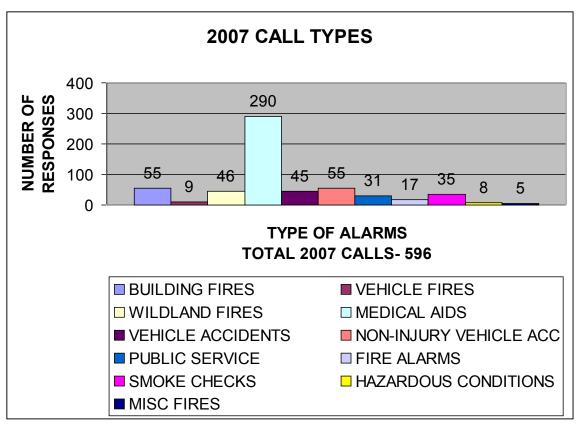
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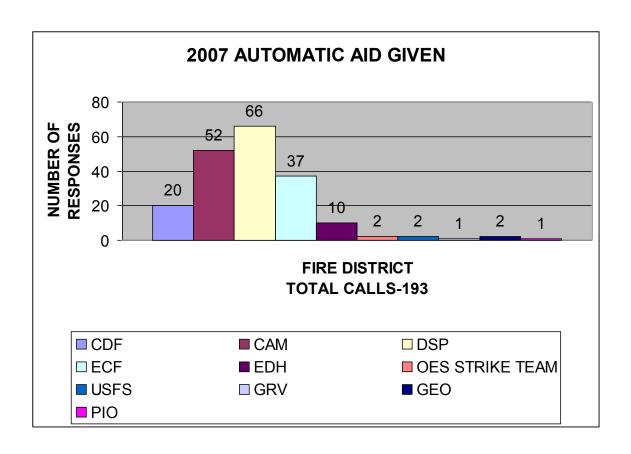
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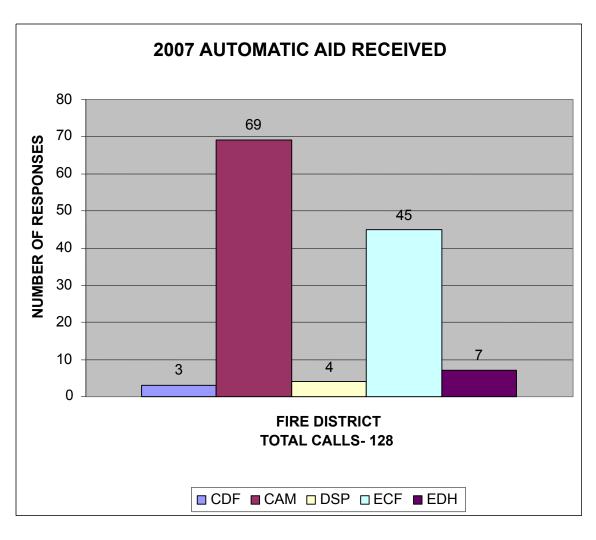
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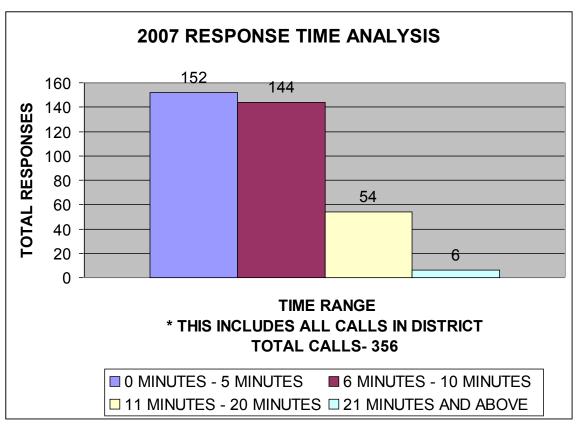
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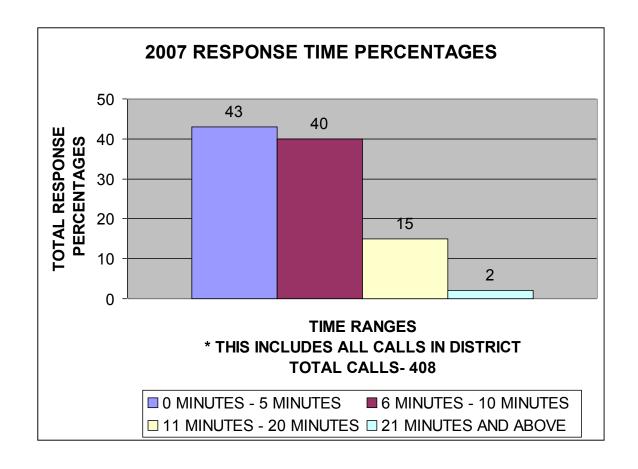


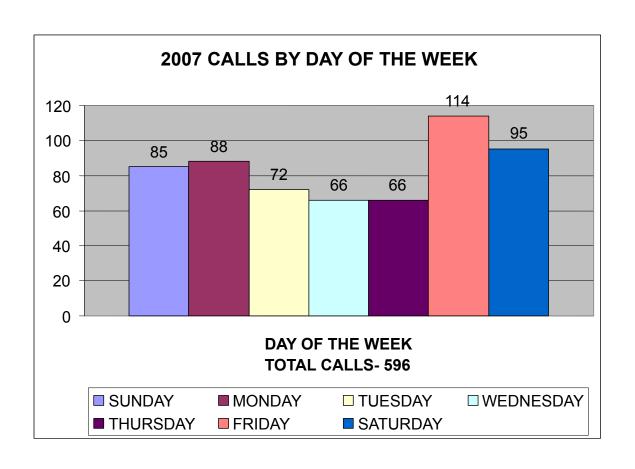


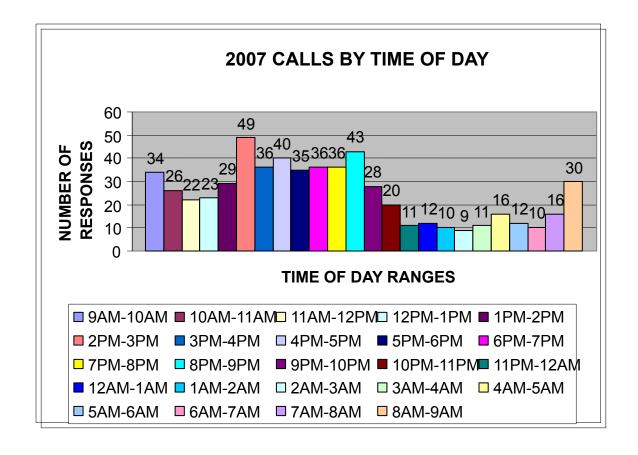


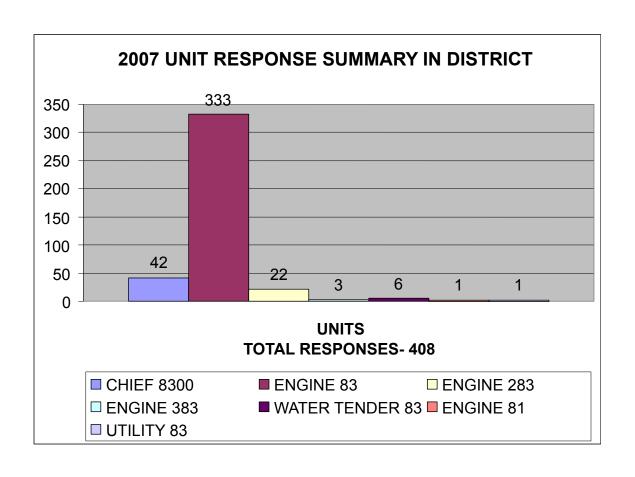


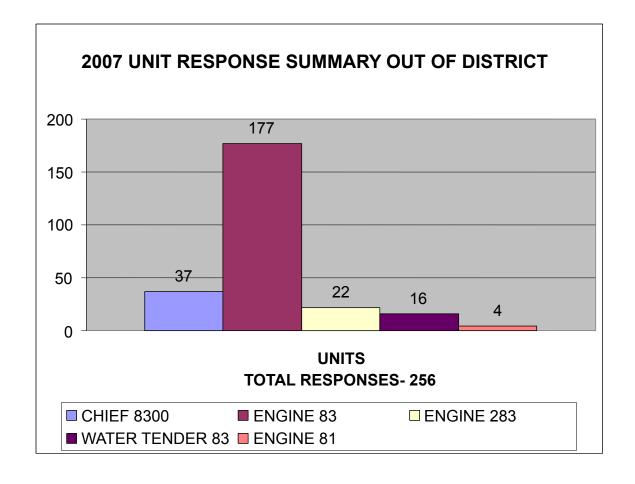


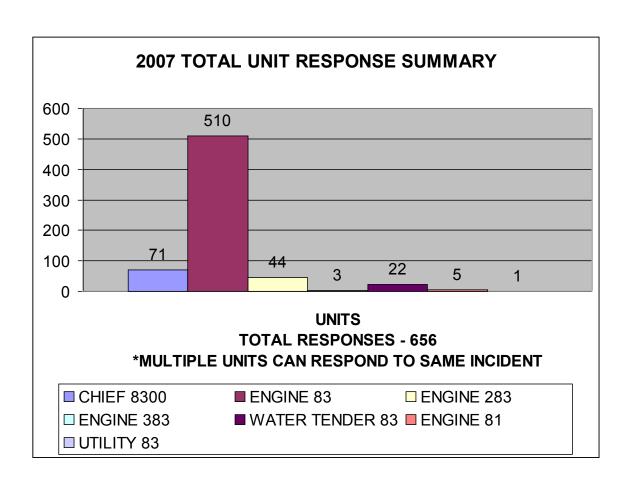


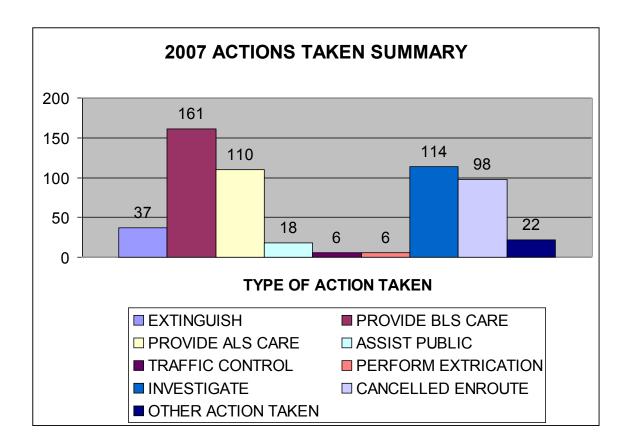


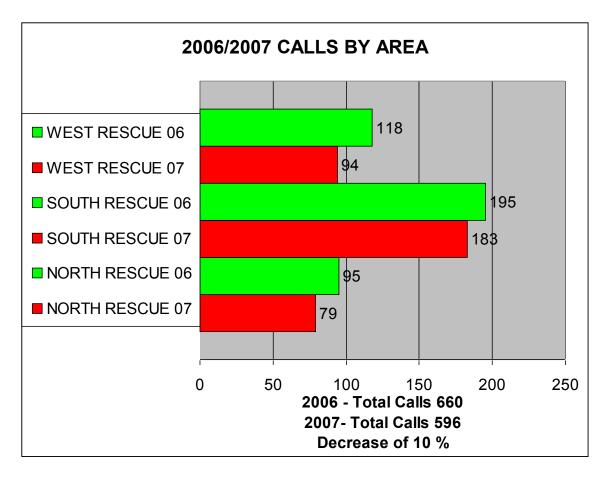


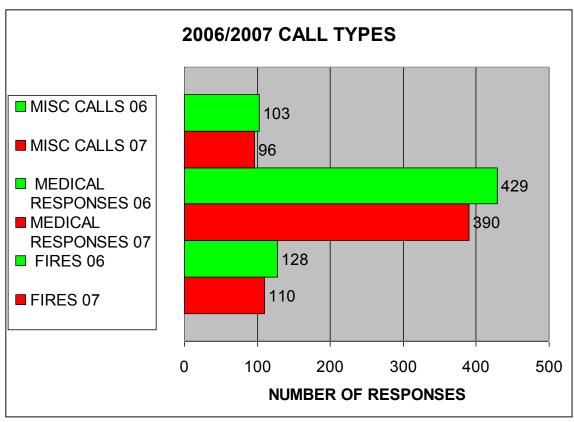


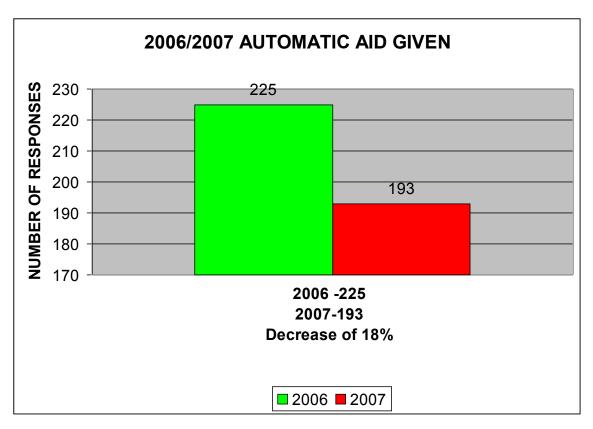


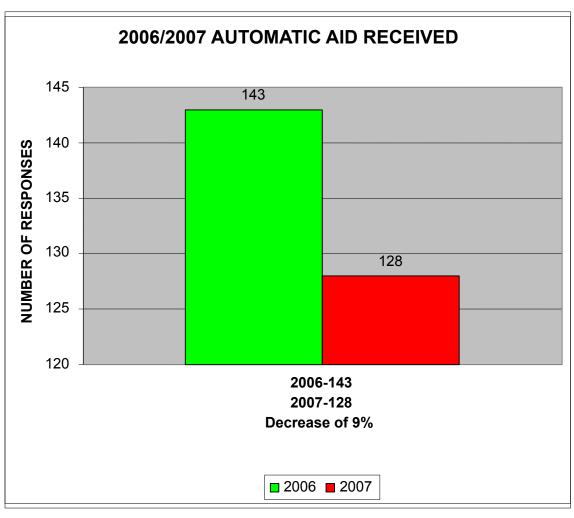












#### **Department Growth Creates Training Opportunities**



#### **SUMMARY:**

In 2007 many changes were made to the Rescue Fire Protection District. There were new policies written, new equipment acquired and a new Type-I fire engine purchased. All of which created a need for training. All personnel must be trained on any new equipment before it can be placed into service. The new engine was different from anything that the District currently had in service which created a need for a complete new driver/operator training program for that engine.

The Training Division hosted a State Fire Marshal class in Large Animal Rescue. Several of the duty personnel participated in the class and three were certified. There have been incidents in the District where animals have become entrapped



and we have been called on to assist. It is comforting to know that we now have the knowledge and confidence to respond to these calls.

The duty personnel completed a three day Swift Water Rescue 1 class. The third day of the class was spent on the south fork of the American River which is one of the District boundaries. The American River and Weber Creek are both in the District's response area and have the potential for swift water rescue incidents.

Department personnel continue to attend State Fire Marshal classes in order to obtain their Fire Officer and Chief Officer certification.

A physical fitness program was started by

the duty personnel. A contract was made

with a locate fitness center to use their facility. Shifts spend about one hour per day working out at the facility.



#### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

#### **Scheduled District Training**

- 2 fire trainings and 1 medical training each month (no December training)
  - o 20 fire trainings at 2 hours each
  - o 11 medical trainings at 2 hours each

#### **Training Events Where Rescue Personnel Participated**

- Live Fire Structure Burn Diamond Springs Fire District
- Countywide MCI Drill Fairgrounds
- Countywide Wildland Training Marble Valley
- Swift Water Rescue 1 (class) Rescue Fire Department
- Large Animal Rescue (class) Rescue Fire Department

#### **Fire Classes Attended**

- Management 2A
  - o 1 member attended
  - 40 total training hours
- Management 2C
  - o 1 member attended
  - 40 total training hours
- Command 1A
  - o 1 members attended
  - 40 total training hours
- Command 2B
  - 2 members attended
  - o 80 total training hours



- Command 2C
  - o 1 members attended
  - 40 total training hours

- Command 2E
  - o 1 members attended
  - 40 total training hours
- Hazardous Materials Incident Commander
  - 1 members attended
  - 40 total training hours
- Large Animal Rescue
  - o 3 members attended
  - 48 total training hours
- Swift Water Rescue 1
  - 8 members attending
  - 192 total training hours
- Hazmat First Responder Operations Decon.
  - o 1 member attended
  - 8 total training hours



#### **Additional Training**

- El Dorado County Training Officers Recruit Academy
  - o 2 new recruits from Rescue
  - o 150 hours of classroom and hands-on training per recruit
  - 7 proctors from Rescue participated
- EMT Recertification
  - o 24 members recertified
- CPR Classes Given
  - 6 classes completed (20 hours of instruction)
  - 35 students certified
- County Certification Paramedic
  - 2 members passed El Dorado County certification
- Chief Officer Certification
  - o 1 member certified
- Firefighter I Certification

- o 3 member certified
- CPR Instructors Recognized
  - o 5 new instructors recognized
  - o 100 total training hours

#### **History of Recruit Academy**

Year	<b>Recruits Completed</b>	<b>Still Active with District</b>
1995	4	1
1996	4	1
1997	5	1
1998	2	1
1999	2	1
2000	2	0
2001	1	1
2002	5	3
2003	4	3
2004	2	0
2005	1	1
2006	2	1
2007	2	2
Total	36	16

#### **Past and Current Rescue Volunteers Currently Employed in Fire Service**

#### Rescue FPD

- o M. Bartlett
- G. Delaney
- o G. Patten
- o J. Paper

- o J. Warman
- o B. Jones
- o R. Jeremica
- o B. Leduc
- o K. McBride

#### CDF

- o L. Blake
- o S. Walker

#### Stockton FD

o M. Kniernam

#### Sacramento FD

- o D. Lara
- o D. Carlson
- o J. Apadaca

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- Elk Grove FD
  - o S. Hill
  - o T. Bair
- Garden Valley FPD
  - o R. Carpadis
- Washington
  - o G. Reighmier
- County
  - o G. Demay
- AMR
  - o S. Blake
- Diamond Springs/El Dorado FPD
  - o M. Gallager
- El Dorado Hills FPD
  - o D. Nelson
- City of Davis
  - o J. Mills

#### El Dorado County FPD

o M. Ziebarth

#### Total 25

Submitted by Captain Patten, Training Officer

#### Fire Prevention 2007

#### **SUMMARY**

Fire prevention in 2007 has been ongoing and kept presenting new and interesting challenges. We took each challenge as it came and worked with residents, business owners, schools, developers, engineers, and so on, to meet their needs as well as the requirements of our codes and regulations. While working with our constituents we provided and received outside assistance from neighboring Fire, County, State and Federal agencies. The assistance may have been in regards to plan review, hazard reduction, public education, grants, etc...

Fire prevention continues to conduct annual inspections on businesses, schools and residents as requested in our jurisdiction. As with any inspection, the key elements that are evaluated are adequate exiting, functioning fire alarm systems, appropriately used electrical outlets, and the general care and maintenance of the premises to help prevent the spread of fire if one should occur. The number one

priority of the fire department is to protect life and this is done by helping to prevent incidents before they start.

Fire prevention performs a number of fire safety education programs annually starting with in-house fire station towers, visiting daycare facilities, participation in the County fair, and our annual fire prevention poster contest with all the elementary schools in our jurisdiction.



#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

The main focus this past year was on the new Fire Code changes. In 2007 the State required all agencies to change from the Universal Codes to the International Codes to have all states, counties, and special districts working under one code. This code change took a great amount of time to complete, it has brought together all county fire agencies into one code and one set of amendments to the code. These code changes will make the process much easier for everyone, once the new codes are familiar to all.



The Fire Prevention Officers of El Dorado County have also been working on updating the Safe Regulations Guide, This change requires working with the state, county and local fire agencies. This guide will help the public and county agencies with the requirements for rural residential requirements. Some of these requirements would be road and driveway requirements, water storage requirements and required setback requirements. This guide will give our residents another place to find the information needed in one place.

The FireSafe Council Green Waste dumpster program in Rescue was very successful in that it had used nearly \$18,000.00 during its time in Rescue, near the post office.

#### **Maintenance Division Report (2007)**



#### **SUMMARY:**

There were a few changes made in 2007 for the maintenance crew. There was a new engine added to the fleet and an older engine was retired after 23 years of service. The annual budget for maintenance went up this year, from \$12,000.00 to \$15,000.00. With this budget we have been able to complete the majority of the repairs in-house. The age of the equipment is beginning to show with an increase of daily repairs that must be made to ensure the safe operation of our fleet. In 2007 we had a number of out-of-county strike teams which kept the maintenance crew very busy after fire season with repairs. There were a few "mishaps" this year with two pieces of equipment, both are now repaired and back in service.

#### **HIGLIGHTS:**

Some of the highlights of 2007 were:

Purchase of new Pierce engine



- Assisted numerous local agencies with advice, and sometimes "hands-on" repairs.
- Install tools on new fire engine

#### **Maintenance Division Report (2007)**

#### **FLEET STATUS:**

Engine 8370 (E-83)



- 2006 Pierce Type 1 Engine
- Put in service October 1<sup>st</sup> of 2007
- All body work completed

#### Engine 8379 (E-283):



- 2000 International Type 3 Engine
- Annual maintenance performed

#### Engine 8396 (Tender-83):



1995 Kenworth Water Tender

- All body work completed.
- Annual maintenance performed

#### **Maintenance Division Report (2007)**

#### Engine 8378 (E-383)



- 1988 Ford Type 1 Engine
- Annual maintenance performed

#### Engine 8377(E-81)



- 1987 Ford Type 1 Engine
- Annual maintenance performed
- Next in line for surplus

#### Engine 8376 ( 00S):

- 1984 Type 1 Engine
- Taken out of service after 23 years.

Donated to Rescue School.

Utility 81:



- 1992 Chevrolet Silverado
- Annual maintenance performed.

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Squad 81:



- 1986 Ford Heavy Duty
- Annual maintenance performed

#### **FUTURE CHALLENGES:**

- Changing over waste oil barrels from metal to plastic
- Replace generator

I would like to thank Brian Leduc, Brett Jones and Ryan Jeremica for their assistance in the maintenance and repair of all the vehicles.

In conclusion, our fleet continues to age, and therefore will need ongoing repairs in the future to keep it in service. We are looking forward to having a new command vehicle, a new utility and another new engine arrive in 2008.

Submitted by Captain Bartlett, Maintenance Officer