

Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force



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BELOW IS AN EXAMPLE OF A PRESS RELEASE:

Insert Date

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The Your Town Fire Department on insert date completed the installation of a dry hydrant at insert location. The installation of this dry hydrant is part of a comprehensive program to improve fire protection in the rural portions of Your Town.

The Fire Department is in the process of improving fire protection in Your Town by installing dry hydrants and other Rural Fire Protection (RFP) systems to improve the availability and accessibility of water for firefighting purposes. The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force through the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts (VACD) provided assistance to the Fire Department in developing a plan to improve water supply in Your Town.

The Vermont Legislature approved appropriations to assist communities in installing dry hydrants to improve fire protection in the rural area of Vermont. The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force with the assistance of the VACD administers the grant program.

Dry hydrants and other RFP systems are a preferred method of providing water for firefighting in areas where there are no water mains. A dry hydrant consists of a 6 to 8 inch pipe with a fitting to which a pump/tanker truck can attach. The pipe connects to a water source (pond or stream) that can supply at least 60,000 gallons under drought conditions.

This is but one example of the service your fire departments provides in preparation for the next alarm.