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Angelus Oaks St. 98 Receives New Fire Engine

San Bernardino County Fire Department has taken another step in its on-going commitment to provide premier, world-class service by delivering a new fire engine to the newly built and recently dedicated Fire Station 98.

Engine 98 is a Rosenbauer apparatus on a Navistar chassis and cab with an International diesel motor. The Type 2/3 engine has a 500 gallon water tank with a 500 gpm capacity pump. The Engine has the usual complement of equipment necessary for fighting structure and vehicle fires—including class-A foam and SCBAs (self-contained breathing apparatus)—but is also equipped to respond to vegetation fires with a cache of wildland fire hand tools, chain saws and four-wheel drive capability.

The new Engine 98 is replacing an older, 1990's era Type 2 Engine, and is well suited to the mountain environment in which it will be working. Engine 98 is equipped with automobile-extrication equipment—the "Jaws of Life"—as well as generators, lights, rescue and medical gear, and is fully capable and ready for responses ranging from traffic collisions to medical incidents to over-the-side rescues that may occur along the Highway 38 corridor.

"We are excited to be able to modernize our fleet and in turn provide better service to our community by providing our firefighters with the latest tools and equipment." states Division Chief Kathleen Opliger.

Engine 98 will serve, along with Brush Engine, Brush Patrol and Snow Cat 98, the communities of Angelus Oaks, Seven Oaks, Barton Flats and Highway 38 from Valley of the Falls Drive to the Onyx Summit.

Photos can be located at www.sbcfire.org under latest news.

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