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County Fire Station 91 Receives New Snowcat

LAKE ARROWHEAD - The San Bernardino County Fire Department's commitment to provide premier services has enabled Lake Arrowhead to take delivery of a new snowcat.

Replacing a snowcat from 1970, the Mountain Division Headquarters Station 91, located at 301 South State Highway 173, is receiving a 2011 Prinoth Trooper 6 Snowcat. It has a maximum capacity of transporting 11 people, or up to 5 with two stokes baskets for victims in the back cab. The Snowcat is equipped with a roll-over protective structure (ROPS) certified cab to protect its occupants, and its low ground pressure tracts allow it to travel over heavy snow, steep inclines, and other difficult terrain.

This Snowcat is well suited during heavy snowstorms, where driving a fire engine to gain access to victims through Lake Arrowhead's unplowed, steep back roads can be impossible. The Firefighters at Station 91, who are certified Paramedics and Urban Search & Rescue (USAR) Technicians, cross staff the new Snowcat, along with a Medic Engine, USAR Heavy Rescue, and USAR Rescue Squad.

Courtesy photos are posted at www.sbcfire.org under latest news.

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