



**NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE**



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## **North Gundagai Rural Fire Brigade celebrates handover of new fire truck**

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NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) members are celebrating the official handover of a new fire truck that will help North Gundagai volunteers provide an even greater level of fire protection to the local community.

Member for Cootamundra Steph Cooke MP and NSW RFS Senior Assistant Commissioner Bruce McDonald today attended a handover ceremony at the North Gundagai Brigade station.

Ms Cooke said the new Category 7 tanker, worth \$170,000, would enable the North Gundagai Brigade to provide an even greater level of fire protection to the local community.

“The Brigade’s previous truck served them well and I am confident this new state-of-the-art vehicle will prove itself to be even better,” Ms Cooke said.

“The North Gundagai Brigade is a very active one, often attending fires as well as motor vehicle accidents on the Hume Highway, so this new truck will prove invaluable.

“I would like to thank each and every volunteer in the South West Slopes Zone for their dedication towards serving their local community”.

Senior Assistant Commissioner McDonald said the Service’s ongoing investment in new vehicles ensures NSW RFS members have access to modern firefighting technology when responding to fires and other incidents, such as motor vehicle accidents.

“The NSW RFS, state and local governments are committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment they need to carry out the important work they do to protect their local communities from fire,” Senior Assistant Commissioner McDonald said.