



Flint Bishop International Airport Authority Takes Delivery of New Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Vehicle

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(Flint, Michigan) Last week the Bishop International Airport Authority took delivery of a brand new Rosenbauer Panther 4x4 ARFF (Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting) vehicle, and it will enter service later this week. This dual purpose vehicle is designed to fight aircraft fires and protect an escape path in the event of a fire. "With large aircraft serving 7 nonstop destinations daily, the safety of our passengers is our number one priority," stated Airport Director Craig Williams. "We are fortunate to have this state-of-the-art equipment at our facility."

The all-terrain truck, produced by Rosenbauer Firefighting Technology in Wyoming, Minnesota, features a low attack bumper, capable of fighting fires starting as low as 18-inches off the ground. It can also hold 1,500 gallons of water; 500 pounds of dry chemical and 200 gallons of foam. The Panther 4x4 complements three other fire apparatus and support vehicles in use at the department.

The Airport purchased the \$563,051 vehicle through the Federal Aviation Administration's Airport Improvement Program. The program pays 90% of the cost of the vehicle, with the State and local share being 5% each.

"We're happy to enhance airport safety with this new truck. The inspection is complete, and as soon as the radios are installed this week the vehicle will be ready for service," added Public Safety Chief, Chris Miller.

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Flint's Bishop International Airport New A.R.F.F. Truck

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