

Foam Trailers to be Strategically Placed to Safeguard NY's Public against Crude Oil and Ethanol Fires

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Governor Cuomo announced that New York State will deploy nineteen trailers equipped with 1/3% AR-AFFF firefighting foam to local fire departments and county hazardous materials teams throughout the state for use when combating fires and spills involving crude oil or other ignitable liquids.

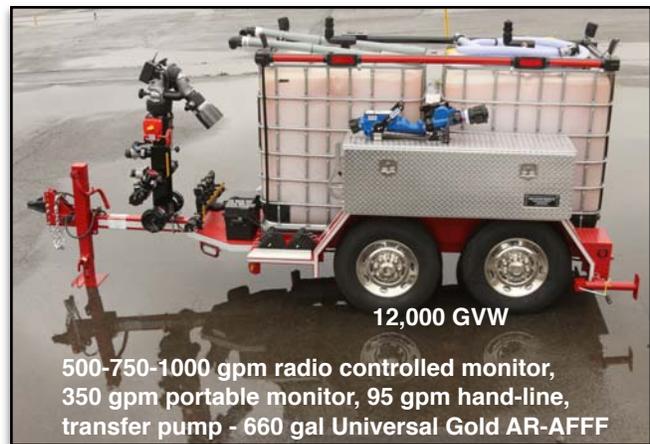
"This new equipment will help ensure first responders in these communities are prepared in the event of an emergency involving crude oil, or other highly flammable substances," Governor Cuomo said. "Today's action is the latest in a multi-pronged effort to prepare state and local authorities in the event of a crude oil or ethanol disaster."

The Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services procured the specially designed trailers in support of the New York State Foam Task Force. Formed at Governor Cuomo's direction, the New York State Foam Task Force helps bring leading-edge firefighting equipment to firefighters to address the challenges posed by the transportation of crude oil and ethanol by rail and water across New York.

The Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services will strategically place nineteen Task Force foam trailers near population centers located along major rail lines and waterways throughout the state.

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It has assigned the first six trailers designed and purpose built by Combat Support Products of Angier, N.C. to jurisdictions with the most limited resources - The Essex County, Amsterdam, Buffalo, Kingston, Newburgh and Utica fire departments. The remaining trailers will be deployed to other areas which have existing units, including the Albany, Binghamton, Elmira, Mayville, Olean, Oneonta, Orleans Plattsburgh, Rochester, Rockland, Saratoga, Seneca, Syracuse, and Watertown fire departments, as well as the New York State Foam Stockpile in Guilderland. It is anticipated that all will be deployed and trained-up by early 2016.



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Six similar units exist and are located in Genesee, Onandaga, Orleans, Seneca, Washington and Westchester Counties, bringing NY's Task Force trailer count to 25.

