

# TurboDraft Fire Eductor Aids Firefighters in Corry, PA

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## Structure Fire – July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Sample Flatts Road, Corry PA

Monday July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Corry Regional Fire Department was dispatched for a barn fire on Sample Flatts Road outside of the town of Corry PA. Due to the lack of fire hydrants in the immediate area, additional mutual aid departments were summoned to assist with water supply operations.

The Union City Volunteer Fire Company responded with both a tanker and engine to the incident. While enroute to the incident radio traffic indicated that the nearest hydrant was four miles away in the City of Corry, however there was a pond approximately ¼ mile away from the incident. Command was requesting that portable pumps be deployed at the pond location to establish a tanker fill site.

Union City VFC tanker 1135 carries a 5" **TurboDraft Fire Eductor** and offered to establish the water supply fill point with the TurboDraft in lieu of the portable pumps. The crew deployed 150' of 5" LDH supply hose and 150' of 2 ½" hose to support the **TurboDraft** operation. The 5" LDH was directed into a Husky portable frame tank to create the "Open relay" for the fill site.



**Fire crews were met with extreme fire conditions**

It was estimated that the **TurboDraft** was supplying between 600-700 gallons per minute continuously into the portable tank. This method provided a "reserve" of water to be utilized to fill the tankers as they arrived at the fill site. Approximately 30,000 gallons of water was provided filling over 10 tanker loads of water for the firefighting efforts.



**5" LDH secured to frame tank creating the "open relay" for the fill site.**

Photos provided by.  
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