Dry Hydrant

A fire hydrant with a screen located at the bottom of a pipe in a static source of water. The hydrant remains dry until used, this prevents the hydrant from freezing in sub-zero temperatures. A dry hydrant is also an unpressurized pipe that can be used to draft (or draw) water from a pond or lake.
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Cistern

An underground water storage tank that is intended for firefighting use in areas with inadequate water supply. With a 50,000 gallon cistern tank it would allow approx. 50 to 60 minutes of firefighting activities during a structure fire and would allow time to setup alternative sources of water to established.
Drafting from a static source of water

For an alternative water supply source, many communities tap into a river, lake or pond. However, because of poor access for fire apparatus, pump operators subsequently find that they must draft under less-than-ideal conditions. Fire apparatus carry 20 to 30 feet of hard suction hoses, these are used to draft water from a lake, pond or a static source of water. The maximum height that water can be drafted is 15 feet vertical from the water source.

Floating Dock Strainer

This device allows engines or tankers to draft from a static water source. The strainer floats on the surface of the water and does not need additional equipment to keep it off the bottom of the water source.
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