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Fire Crews battle fully engulfed Mobile Home

Date/Time: October 6, 2013, 9:07 PM

Location: 4800 Block of Johnson Road, Phelan

Incident: Residential Structure Fire

Summary: At 9:07 p.m., San Bernardino County Fire crews responded to a reported abandoned structure on fire on the 4800 block of Johnson Road in Phelan. The first arriving crew found a double-wide mobile home fully engulfed in flames and quickly began an aggressive attack which lasted 45 minutes to completely knock down. Six Fire Engines, 1 Battalion Chief and 1 Investigator from County Fire along with 1 Calfire Engine responded and were able to keep the flames from spreading to adjacent vegetation surrounding the home.

Even with a short response time, crews found heavy flames and smoke emerging from all doors, windows and through the roof; rendering it a total loss. The same abandoned property was a target of arson in the past, but was quickly extinguished on that incident. Investigators deemed the fire suspicious in nature and ask anyone who might have any information about this incident to call Arson Investigators at 909-386-8400 or We-Tip at 1-800-47-ARSON.

Total loss for the home is estimated at \$60,000 and we are happy to report no injuries to the public or Firefighters were reported.

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