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Firefighters in Yucca Valley Battle Flames in High Winds

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Location: Aberdeen Drive at Melody Lane Yucca Valley, CA

Incident: Structure Fire

At approximately 12:50 PM, San Bernardino County Fire received numerous 911 calls for a reported structure fire on Aberdeen Drive in Yucca Valley.

Responding units reported heavy black smoke showing during their response. Arriving a few minutes after dispatch, the first engine company on scene reported a 1500 square foot mobile home and numerous outbuildings well-involved in fire.

Firefighters were hampered by high winds, which caused the fire to spread to nearby vegetation and threaten a neighboring home. County firefighters initiated an aggressive attack with multiple hose lines. 13 Firefighters, 1 Battalion Chief and a Fire Investigator from County Fire had the blaze under control in just under 30 minutes. One engine company from Cal Fire was also on scene to provide assistance.

There were no reported injuries to either civilians or firefighters. Damage estimates are still being compiled at the time of this release. The cause of the blaze remains under investigation through San Bernardino County's Office of the Fire Marshal.

County Fire reminds its residents that as we approach the summer months, we encourage residents to maintain a defensible space by clearing vegetation and debris near your property. For more information on defensible space go to www.sbcfire.org

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