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Firefighters Battle a 2-Alarm Fire in Wrightwood

Incident: Residential Structure Fire
Date/Time: Saturday, December 10, 2016 9:24 pm
Location: 5000 block Easter Drive Wrightwood, CA

Wrightwood, CA- at approximately 9:24pm San Bernardino County Firefighters responded to a reported residential structure fire in the 5000 Block of Easter Dr., with neighbors reporting the residents of the home appearing to be out with the two story home on fire. ME14 from Wrightwood was the first unit on scene and reported major fire involvement to the two-story structure. ME14 went into attack mode as soon as they arrived on scene to extinguish the fire. Firefighters quickly realized the severity of the incident and called for a second alarm for more resources to help with the extinguishment of the fire.

As the crews were aggressively fighting the fire they noticed power lines that were on the ground and still live. The fire had affected the integrity of the home, which caused the electrical drop going to the house to be detached from the connection. All the firefighters and dispatch were notified to keep everyone on the incident safe from the hazardous area. Once the notification for the hazard was given the utility providers in the area were notified to expedite their response to disconnect all utilities leading to the home. There were exposures threatened from houses in the area to nearby trees; however, firefighters were able to mitigate those threats promptly.

It took firefighters a total of an hour and 45 minutes to get the fire under control from the time the fire started. Once the fire was under control crews had complete knockdown. Firefighters remained on scene for several hours conducting mop up. The cause of the fire is still under investigation by San Bernardino County Office of the Fire Marshall. No civilian or firefighter injuries were reported. (8) Medic Engines, (1) Rescue, (2) Battalion Chiefs, (1) Assistant Chief and (2) Fire Investigators responded to the fire. Rialto Fire Dept., and CalFire also responded to the incident to assist.

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