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A wildfire possibly started by a lightning strike in the San Bernardino National Forest put up smoke that was seen for miles but burned less than an acre on Tuesday evening, July 24.

The Rainbow fire burned near Onyx Summit, near Highway 38 where the highway turns north toward Big Bear, according to a map posted by the San Bernardino National Forest. Helicopters dipped into Jenks Lake for water to pour on the flames.

Firefighters received multiple reports of a fire about 5:40 p.m. At the time, a stationary storm cell hung over Onyx Summit and was producing cloud-to-ground lightning strikes, the National Weather Service said.

"I saw that strike. It was incredible," one person posted on the website bigbearscanner.com.

The storm system was expected to dissipate early Tuesday evening, according to the weather service.

No structures were threatened.

Firefighters from the San Bernardino National Forest and **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded.

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Park Districts Association gives two Hesperia volunteers Awards of Distinction

The California Association of Recreation and Park Districts bestowed two of its annual Awards of Distinction upon local volunteers serving the Hesperia community.

Abbigal Maciel, a 17 year old resident of Hesperia, was presented with the Outstanding Volunteer Award. Maciel has served her community as a volunteer coach for the Hesperia Recreation and Park District's Girls Youth Volleyball League — dedicating over 200 hours of teaching, training, and mentoring young girls on the

fundamentals of volleyball and sportsmanship. She is also recognized for her other volunteer commitments with her church and school.

The Hesperia Fire Explorer Post 152 was the recipient of the Outstanding Community Organization Award. The long established, since the 1970's, all volunteer explorer post made of youth and young adults from the ages of 14 to 21, was recognized for its significant volunteer contributions to the Hesperia Recreation and Park District. Throughout 2017, the Hesperia Fire Explorer Post 152 provided countless volunteers to assist with the District's special events.

The success of community- wide events such as the District's 60th Birthday Bash, the annual Hesperia Days festival, and the Christmas Tree Lighting

Ceremony could not have been accomplished without the services of the dedicated explorers who selflessly contribute their time, ensuring that these events run smoothly and safely, ultimately benefiting the community.

The Hesperia Recreation and Park District congratulates both Abbigal Maciel and Hesperia Fire Explorer Post 152 on their Awards of Distinction and also extends its appreciation for their outstanding volunteer efforts and commitment to the Hesperia community.