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Crews Contain Hesperia Vegetation Fire

Date/Time:Tuesday, June 9, 2020, 12:49 pmLocation:Caliente Road & Farmington Street, City of HesperiaIncident:Vehicle Fire, with spread to vegetation

Summary: This afternoon #SBCoFD crews were dispatched to a reported vehicle fire potentially spreading to nearby vegetation in the area of Caliente Road and Farmington Street in the City of Hesperia. BC140 arrived on-scene to find one vehicle well involved with spread to approximately 1/2 acre of vegetation. Due to the proximity of State Responsibility Land (SRA) & San Bernardino Forest Land (FRA) units from both Cal-Fire and the United States Forest Service (USFS) were also dispatched.

Arriving crews quickly engaged in permitted control and line construction to slow the spread of the fire and to keep the fire from jumping nearby roads into redemptive fuel beds. Crews encountered medium to heavy fuels and nearby high-tension power lines. Due to a collaborative response and aggressive firefighting from fire crews, the fire was brought under control in approximately one hour. The fire's spread was stopped at 9.1 acres. No structures were immediately threatened or damaged by the fire. The fire burned adjacent to Interstate 15, with smoke was very visible throughout the desert and valley areas.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with 5 Engines, 2 Hand Crews, 2 Water Tenders, a Dozer and 3 Chief Officers. Cal-Fire San Bernardino & USFS San Bernardino National Forest responded with full ground responses, including aircraft. Thanks to our cooperators for the assistance. Due to the quick and efficient interagency response, the fire did not spread to homes or adjacent SRA / FRA Lands. #SBCOFD crews remained on scene well into this evening to ensure the fire was completely mopped-up.

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