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ABANDONED VICTORVILLE HOUSE BURNS

Date/Time: *Sunday, May 13, 2012 05:50 AM*
Location: *16600 block of Allen Street, Victorville*
Incident: *Residential Structure Fire*

Summary: Shortly before 06:00 AM, calls to 911 reported a possible structure fire in the area of Third and 'A' Streets in Victorville. Units from the San Bernardino County Fire Department arrived on scene in the 16600 block of Allen Street to find a single-story, single-family dwelling with smoke coming from the roof. Further investigation revealed a well-involved attic fire to the 1200 square foot residence.

Firefighters quickly determined there were no occupants inside the abandoned house. An aggressive attack stopped the blaze in just under thirty minutes and kept embers from threatening nearby occupied homes.

In all, sixteen firefighters from San Bernardino County Fire and allied agencies responded to the blaze. No injuries were reported.

The cause of the fire is suspicious in nature and is under investigation by San Bernardino County Fire Arson Investigators. Anyone with information is asked to call 909-386-8459.

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