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County Firefighters Save Multiple Semi Trucks and Trailers

Date/Time: November 8, 2020, 10:45 p.m.

Location: 9000 block of 8th Avenue, City of Hesperia Incident: Residential Structure Fire, #20-255975

Summary: Shortly before 11:00 p.m. last night, San Bernardino County Fire responded to multiple reports of a fire to the rear of a home at the 9000 block of 8th Avenue in the City of Hesperia. Truck, Squad, and Medic Ambulance 304 arrived shortly after dispatch to find a fully involved detached building to the rear of a single-story home. As firefighters made access a fully involved building with large piles of tires and hay were found burning directly impinging onto multiple semi-trailers and vehicles. Multiple gas cylinders were in the structure which complicated initial suppression efforts.

Firefighters deployed multiple lines and stopped the spread of fire to the nearby exposures. One semi flatbed trailer sustained damage. In order to maintain the water supply to fight the fire multiple engine companies were required to deploy all their on-board supply lines to the nearest hydrant, totaling approximately 1,200 feet. Crews had knockdown on the fire in 20 minutes. Due to the contents, significant overhaul, and cleanup there was an extended commitment time for resources. During that time multiple engines were brought into the desert from surrounding divisions for station coverage.

No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported. Three engines, 1 truck company, 1 Chief Officer, 1 medic ambulance, 1 investigator, and 1 medic squad, totaling 18 personnel from County Fire, were assigned to the incident. Apple Valley Fire District assisted with 1 engine company.

The cause remains under investigation by the office of the Fire Marshal.

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