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## **Fire Destroys Home During Remodel**

**Date/Time:** 7/26/2013 0355hrs  
**Location:** Prescott Trail Joshua Tree, CA  
**Incident:** Prescott Incident

**Summary:** Fire completely destroys a home that was in the middle of a major remodel after a fire severely damaged it four months ago.

This morning firefighters responded to multiple reports of a fire near the intersection of Sunny Slope and Prescott Trail in the community of Joshua Tree. Upon arrival, firefighters they were confronted with a single family home fully involved with fire. The fire was so intense and large that flames could be seen from ten miles away.

The house had been involved in a fire in March of this year that severely damaged the homes bedroom areas. However, the house had been gutted for repairs and remodeling which contributed to the intensity of the fire. Thankfully no one was living in the home at the time of the fire and most of the families belongings were not in the home.

Three San Bernardino County fire engines and 12 firefighters from the Joshua Tree and Yucca Valley stations had the fire contained in about thirty minutes. The preliminary monetary loss is approximately \$200,000. At the time of this release investigators were still on the scene to determine a cause for the fire.

As a reminder families should practice Exit Drills In the Home or EDITH in preparation for any major household emergency.