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Man Burned In Gas Explosion

Date/Time: **October 9, 2014, 10:49 a.m.**
Location: **18200 block of Slover Ave., Bloomington, Ca.**
Incident: **Structure Fire**

Summary: Firefighters responded to a structure fire at the above given time and location. Upon arrival, they found no fire but a 75 year old male outside of a travel trailer where he lived. He appeared to have suffered 2nd and 3rd degree burns to his chest and face.

Investigators have found that the victim had been preparing to cook a meal on the stove inside the approximately 15 foot travel trailer. The propane gas was left on and the trailer filled with gas. The occupant at some point lit a lighter causing the explosion. A neighbor, who also lived in a nearby trailer, saw a window from the victims trailer blow out followed by a flash of fire. The trailers are located on a piece of property behind a residence.

The victim was transported to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton and his condition is unknown as of press time. The San Bernardino County Fire Department advises that when cooking with natural gas or propane that proper ventilation is ensured.

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