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Redlands Firefighters responded to a structure fire at Southern California Edison’s Mountain View Power Plant Sunday afternoon. No injuries were reported.

Crews responded shortly before 1 p.m. to the fire in a mechanical operations area within the plant, located at 2492 W. San Bernardino Ave. The first crews on scene found heavy smoke coming from the second floor of the facility. It took firefighters approximately 30 minutes to extinguish the blaze which was limited to a confined area within the building. Firefighters were on scene for approximately two hours.

The cause of the fire is under investigation but it is believed to be due to a hydraulic line failure in operating equipment.

Edison crews are working to repair the issue and restore the facility to full power. Approximately 1,300 customers may be affected by power outages. The estimated damage to the structure and equipment is unknown at this time.

In addition to seven Redlands firefighters, three firefighters from the Loma Linda Fire Department and 19 firefighters from the San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to the incident. San Bernardino units were the first to arrive on scene.

https://www.redlandscommunitynews.com/news/public_safety/fire-at-mountain-view-power-plant-may-impact-1-300-customers/article_cd1aba70-f0b5-11ea-a355-3b083c8f5e06.html
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Flames continue to burn in Yucaipa. Firefighters assess the situation at the end of Carter Street in Yucaipa.

The fire is burning up the south side of Yucaipa Ridge above the communities of Oak Glen and the North Bench area of Yucaipa. It has crested Yucaipa Ridge and continues to burn on the north slope towards the communities of Mountain Home Village and Forest Falls. There is one confirmed outbuilding destroyed with damage assessment teams currently working in the area to confirm the extent of the damage, the number of structures involved and their location.

The weather will remain dry and hot throughout the night with an elevated temperature and relative humidity at 20 percent. The winds will remain downslope at 3 to 5 mph with gusts to 10 mph. This will result in continued active fire behavior throughout the night. Life safety is always the priority. Fire crews remain protecting structures in the communities affected as well as using retardant and water drops from aircraft equipped for night operations to continue to build line around the fire.

Residents, please heed evacuation orders, and holiday travelers, please stay out of the fire area. Due to the number of fires across California and the West, firefighting resources are in short supply. All fire agencies involved have increased staffing to support firefighting efforts, however, we all need to assist in keeping the firefighters focused on firefighting and not on managing people.

CIIMT 11, a Type 2 Incident Management Team, is managing the El Dorado Fire for the San Bernardino National Forest in unified command with the City of Yucaipa, San Bernardino County Fire, Cal Fire BDU, San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department and California Highway Patrol.

https://www.newsmirror.net/news/sunday-evening-el-dorado-fire-update-residents-urged-to-heed-evacuation-orders/article_fd47e01a-f0c9-11ea-960c-87f0333f48ab.html