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Firefighters direct water from above at flames burning in piles of trash at the Burrtec facility Monday.

YUCCA VALLEY — Trash in multiple roll-off containers burned in a fire at the Burrtec station on Old Woman Springs Road and Newton Lane Monday.

San Bernardino County firefighters were dispatched to the fire at 12:45 p.m. They used master streams — devices on top of their engines to spray water from above.

“Windy conditions hampered visibility and created an exposure threat,” Battalion Chief Michael McClintock said.

While attacking the flames, a firefighter found a hurt cat.

The fire was ultimately knocked down in one hour, McClintock said.

The county crews worked with Burrtec employees to accessing the trash and do a complete overhaul making sure the flames were all extinguished.

“Firefighters remained on-scene for more than two hours completing overhaul and cleanup,” McClintock said. “The scene was turned over to the facility for further cleanup and disposal.”

San Bernardino County sent four engines, a truck company, an ambulance, a battalion chief and a fire investigator. Cal Fire assisted with an engine.

The cause and origin of the fire are under investigation by the county.

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