



Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Battalion 8

MULTIPLE INCIDENTS

JULY 8, 2018

Contra Costa County Fire resources from across the county responded to a number of significant incidents Sunday in the Eastern portion of our Fire District. Below is a briefing on those incidents.

DATE: July 8, 2018

Time of Alarm: 9:05 am

TYPE OF ALARM: Vegetation Fire with Structures Threatened

LOCATION: 2731 Pittsburg/Antioch Hwy

RESPONSE: 13 Engines, 3 Battalion Chiefs - CON, 1 BC CalFire, 1 Fire Investigators, 1 Breathing Support, 1 Safety Officer, 1 Paramedic Ambulance, 1 Paramedic Supervisor, 1 Bull Dozer, 1 PIO, 1 Water Tender,
ASSISTING AGENCIES: Pittsburg PD, CHP, Dow Chemical, San Ramon Valley Fire, Cal Fire, AMR, TOTAL
FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 52

All Concerned -

Units from Antioch, Pittsburg, Bay Point, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, San Ramon and Cal Fire responded to a reported Vegetation Fire with Structures threatened. En Route Engine 85 reported a column of white smoke from ½ Mile away. Upon arrival Battalion 8 established Loveridge IC and directed units to access the area off Loveridge Rd. and into the Arcy Ln. area. Initial reports put the fire at 3 acres and it eventually became 20 acres. All units began mission assignments and additional units were requested approximately 40 minutes into the incident to protect structures and county infrastructure. All units were committed for the length of the incident. A fire cause and origin investigation was conducted and the determination was made that the fire was unintentional/accidental and likely started in a homeless encampment. There were no injuries to Firefighters or civilians.

DATE: July 8, 2018

Time of Alarm: 2:19 pm

TYPE OF ALARM: Vegetation Fire

LOCATION: 16700 Marsh Creek Rd.

RESPONSE: 5 Type 3 Engines as part of Strike Team 2020C and 1 Bulldozer TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT
SCENE: 16

Type 3 Wildland units from Stations 81, 88, 22, 85 and 53 and Battalion 8 as Strike Team Leader responded at the request of East Contra Costa Fire under the Mutual/Auto Aide Agreement in place. Due to the nature of the incident and the available resources of East Contra Costa this was the only option available. Upon arrival ST 2020C checked in with Creek Command and was staged in the Clayton Regency Mobile Home Park. CalFire resources were able gain the upper hand and ST 2020C was released. Worth noting is that at the time of this dispatch request our Fire District only had 11 Wildland units in service and 4 of those were committed outside our jurisdiction to this incident.

DATE: July 8, 2018

Time of Alarm: 5:19 pm

TYPE OF ALARM: Structure Fire

LOCATION: 4734 Broomtail Ct., Antioch

RESPONSE: 4 Engines, 2 Trucks, 1 Breathing Support, 1 Fire Investigator, 1 Safety Officer, 1 EMS Supervisor, 1 Medic unit & 2 BC's TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 25

Units from Antioch, Pittsburg, Brentwood, and Walnut Creek responded to a reported Structure Fire the garage of a single family home with a possible resident inside needing rescue. Upon arrival Engine 88 reported a 2 story home with heavy smoke from the garage area. Engine 88 performed rescue operations based on the report of a female inside the home. An exhaustive search turned up the female off property and safely accounted for. All companies performed extinguishment and salvage and overhaul. Of important note is that this was the 3rd working incident of the day and with temperatures close to 100 degrees our crews began to become fatigued. Fortunately no firefighters or civilians were hurt. A fire cause and origin investigation was conducted and at this time the cause is still under investigation.

Worth noting is that we responded to additional smaller vegetation fires and a boat in distress in the Oakley area due to the inability of the Coast Guard to respond. All these incidents happened within 24 hours and vividly show the increased frequency of emergency responses we respond to. This report does not address any medical aid calls we responded to during this same time frame.

Please call me with any questions related to any of these incidents.

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