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Multi-Agency Response holds “Cloud Fire” at less than 20 Acres

Date/Time: June 12, 2021 5:19pm
Location: Hwy 18, near Old Waterman Canyon Road
Incident: Vegetation Fire

Summary: Yesterday evening San Bernardino Fire Crews were dispatched to a reported vegetation fire near the intersection of Highway 18 and Old Waterman Canyon Road in North San Bernardino. Due to the fire being adjacent to the San Bernardino National Forest, the United States Forest Service (USFS) also sent a full response, including aircraft.

San Bernardino County & USFS quickly arrived finding 3-5 acres in medium fuels, quickly spreading uphill. Firefighters initiated a fire attack, working on perimeter control & line construction. Air assets worked from the air, laying retardant down to slow the fire's spread. The fire burned on both San Bernardino City and Forest Service land. A robust response from local agencies helped keep the fire to just under 20 acres. No homes were immediately threatened or damaged by the wildfire.

Once the forward progression was stopped, firefighters transitioned to mop-up operations. Crews remained on-scene throughout the night working on line construction, mop-up and patrolling the fire line. The cause is under investigation by fire investigators. Highway 18 was closed for multiple hours while crews operated. Crews will continue to patrol the fire today, working on any interior hotspots & remainder of line construction. As of this morning the fire is 85% contained.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with 7 Engines, a Dozer, Hand Crew & two Battalion Chiefs. USFS San Bernardino National Forest sent a two-alarm ground response. U.S. Forest Service - San Bernardino National Forest also sent air assets, including fixed and rotor wings. CAL FIRE San Bernardino/Inyo/Mono Unit responded with a hand crew, fixed wing, and rotor wing aircraft. San Manuel assisted with an engine and water tender. Rancho Cucamonga and Redlands assisted each with a water tender. In total more than 150 firefighters responded to the fire.

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