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Large Three-Story Yucca Valley Home Burns in Early Morning Fire

Date/Time: January 21, 2021, 4:33 a.m.
Location: 57400 Block of Buena Suerte, Yucca Valley
Incident: Structure Fire

Summary: Thursday morning San Bernardino County Fire (SBCoFD) crews were dispatched to the 57400 block of Buena Suerte in the Western Hills neighborhood of Yucca Valley. Arriving crews found a three-story home well involved with fire.

Crews mounted a defensive fire attack concentrating their efforts on protecting nearby homes and vegetation. Crews also encountered intense radiant heat, downed power lines, a burning power pole, an RV and multiple cars on fire. Crews utilized large streams water to suppress the fire, flowing more than 2000 gallons a minute. The fire was ultimately knocked down in approximately one hour. Fire investigators were called to assist with a cause and origin investigation. SBSO Arson / Bomb also responded to assist. Due to the heavy timbers and debris a SBCoFD heavy equipment team responded to assist with overhaul & investigation.

Bystanders reported hearing someone yelling “help” from the area of the home prior to our arrival. No occupants were at the home at the time of our arrival to give further information. With that in mind, investigators slowly dismantled the pile while completing overhaul / investigation. SBSO cadaver dogs were also requested to assist with investigation. Investigators worked well into the early morning hours Friday working on investigation and a search. At the time of the release no one had been found inside the burned home. The home, under construction at the time of the fire was a complete loss.

SBCoFD responded with 4 Engines, a Medic Ambulance, 3 fire investigators and a heavy equipment team. SBSO assisted with 4 Arson / Bomb investigators and a cadaver dog team.

The fire’s cause and origin are under investigation.

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