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Early Morning Mobile Home Fire on Kent East Hill

Kent, Wash – May 16, 2019 – Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority was dispatched to the 11200 block of 226 Street in Kent just before 4 AM. What was initially called in as an illegal burn quickly escalated to a residential fire once multiple callers reported the same fire.

The first fire engine on scene could see flames as they arrived and upgraded the call to a “working fire” which automatically dispatches additional fire units to assist on the scene. Puget Sound RFA, Renton RFA, Kent PD, Zone 3 Rehab, and King County Medic One were all working this residential fire. Once the upgrade was made, that same crew started fighting the fire from the outside. As soon as crews were able to enter, a search of the structure found no one to be home. The interior crews were able to extinguish the fire and it was considered completely out by 4:30 AM.

At the time of this media release, there were no injuries to report and no estimated fire loss. The utility company secured power and a board-up company was called to secure the home. According to witnesses, it was an exterior shed on fire initially but quickly spread to the house. The PSRFA investigator was able to confirm witness’ accounts but is still working on determining the cause of the fire.

It is always unfortunate to see homes destroyed by fire but the Puget Sound RFA commends the alert residents of Kent which allows our fire crews to respond quickly to help our neighbors in need. The potential of fire spread is great in many of our Kent neighborhoods, but this morning’s fire was contained to a single home.

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