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Overnight Fire Damages Modesto Garage

Modesto, CA - At 22:04 hours a Working Structure Fire compliment was dispatched to 608 Woodrow Avenue for a garage fire. Engine 5 was first on scene and confirmed a well involved fire in the garage. Captain Mark Crook established Woodrow IC and assigned the first alarm units. The incident was supported by Engine 4, Engine 6, Engine 7, Truck 11, Investigator 2 and Battalion 1.

Crews forced entry into the garage to combat the fire. Primary and secondary searches for victims were conducted, with an “all clear” given. The attic was checked for any fire extension. Firefighters were able to contain the fire to the garage and prevent any spread into the house. Investigator 2 assessed the scene to determine cause and origin.

The occupants were at home when the fire started. They reported seeing the lights dim in an unusual way just before being alerted to the fire by neighbors. They were able to pull their cars out of the driveway before firefighters arrived. They are renters, but were fortunate to have Renter’s insurance to help cover their loss. Red Cross assistance was offered, however they declined opting to stay with family. The cause of the fire remains under investigation. No firefighter injuries were reported. The fire loss is estimated at \$75,000.00.