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Residential Structure Fire

On June 22nd, 2014 at 5:27pm, Modesto Regional Fire units responded to a house fire at 1542 Rouse Avenue in west Modesto. The first fire engine arrived in less than 4 minutes and observed heavy fire conditions from the rear of a single story residence. The fire destroyed an outbuilding and had spread to the interior of the house. 4 Engine Companies, 1 Truck Company and 2 command officers responded to the incident with a total of 19 firefighters. Firefighters were able to extinguish the blaze in 30 minutes. The occupants were home at the time of the fire and were able to escape without injury. The damage to the structure and the contents is estimated to be\$20,000 damage. The occupant had left a BBQ unattended and it is believed that a grease fire started and spread to nearby material and to the outbuilding. One firefighter suffered from heat exhaustion, he was treated and released from a local hospital and is back to work.

The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind everyone to buy only "Safe and Sane" Fireworks for the Fourth of July. For further information please contact Interim Fire Chief Sean Slamon at 209-552-3723