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Fire Destroys Pump House North of Sequim

Just before 11:30 PM on Friday, July 28, 2023 CCFD 3 Units were dispatched to a reported residential structure fire in the 90 Block of W. Hawks View Ln in Sequim. Initially, a neighbor reported a shed near a lake was on fire, spreading to neighboring grass and trees. Soon after, the property owner called 911 to also report the fire. They stated this was a shed used as a pump house. While on the phone, they described to PenCom 911 Dispatchers that it was a 12' by 12' shed and it was fully engulfed in flames. They were quite helpful, advising that the shed had a high voltage electrical circuit which could pose significant injuries to responding firefighters.

Firefighters from the Sequim Station, in a fire engine and water tender, arrived at 11:38 pm, about ten minutes after the initial call went out to a fully involved shed on fire with extensions to neighboring trees and brush. Firefighters quickly knocked down the fire and began to overhaul the remnants of the structure to ensure the fire wouldn't reignite. The property owners stated that this specific structure had been worked on earlier in the day by a contractor, who was installing trim on the newly constructed outbuilding.

The homeowners were instrumental in keeping our members safe this evening. The detailed information they provided to dispatch during their 911 call gave us critical information regarding the structure, it's use, and potential hazards. While unfortunately the structure was deemed a total loss, there were no injuries to the property owners or any of the 9 firefighters and command staff that were on scene. Overall, 2 Fire Engines, 1 Water Tender, 1 Command Vehicle and 4 volunteers responded to the call assisted by two units from the Clallam County Sheriff's Office.

Currently, the cause of the fire is under investigation by Clallam County Fire District 3 Fire Investigators.

Questions may be directed to Battalion Chief, Chris Turner at (360) 683-4242. Ext. 132.

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