

First St. Incident Summary

Please see below the incident summary from Captain Azevedo regarding the fire in Genoa on May 26th. I am extremely proud of how our organization responded and the actions all that were on scene took to contain a complex incident. I am also grateful for our partnerships we have established with our surrounding agencies who came to assist.

Thank you for all you do and have a great night!

Alan Ernst, District Fire Chief

Prior to this fire, East Fork responded to the Holdbrook Junction mobile home park for a reported fire within an electrical box. The fire extended to the adjacent structures with minor damage. E4, E7 and BC10 were on scene completing the investigation with the fire in Genoa was reported. At 1502hrs East Fork was dispatched to P1 structure fire on First St. in Genoa. Upon arrival, the first in Engine Company found a well-involved attached garage with heavy fire showing from the first and second floors. Due to large amount of fire and winds, a second alarm and an additional 5 type 3 engines were ordered to control the fire. Initial crews made an aggressive fire attack with a large bore handline to control the main body of fire with additional handline to the rear of the structure to prevent the fire from spreading to the wildland and additional structures. Crews continued the fire attack from an interior position to the salvage the remaining structure. At approx. 1700 hrs. stop loss was reported and the incident priority changed from incident stabilization to property conservation. Crews assisted the home owners to salvage important items from the home.

The home owner reported he was driving his side by side around town and parked it behind the garage. Approx. 15 mins later the homeowner exited the front door of the home and saw fire through the garage window at the rear of the home. She notified the rest of family and all occupants exited the structure. They stated they attempted to extinguish the side by side, but it had already breached the exterior wall and extended to the upstairs living area.

Responding agencies included: East Fork Fire PD, Tahoe Douglas FPD, Carson City FD, Central Lyon CFD, Mono County EMS, CalFire, Truckee Meadows FPD and Douglas County SO.

A total of 8 type 1 engines, 4 ALS ambulances, 3 type 3 engines, and 8 Overhead (Captain and Chief officers) responded to the scene. Additionally 3 type 1 engines and 3 ALS ambulances responded for District coverage.





