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News Release

For Immediate Release

Contact: PIO Mike Page
Date: 07-05-07
Address: 2245 Idella Ct
Alarm Type: Structure Fire
Time Dispatched: 8:46 PM
Time on Scene: 8:54 PM
Control Time: 9:50 PM
Last Unit Cleared: 1:31AM

The Grand Junction Fire Department responded to report of brush fire threatening homes in the area of 2245 Idella Ct. Two BLM crews were also called to assist with the fire. First arriving units found a brush fire that was growing rapidly and threatening numerous homes. E-13 made access from the driveway of 2579 Patterson Road and attempted to control the fire travel to the north and west. LD-11 & E-12 were assigned to the east above the threatened homes. LD-11 used the monitor nozzle on the ladder and a water supply from a hydrant to supply protection water for the homes on the south and east of the fire. They extended the ladder over the roof of the home at 2245 Idella Ct. and put a large amount of water on the fire. E-12 extended hose lines down from Knowlwood Lane to protect the northeast side of the fire. E-14 and Brush 15 gained access to the fire from a canal road to the southwest of the fire and

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contained the fire in that direction. BLM crews assisted with the overall operation. The fire was under control around 10:00 PM but some crews remained on the fire until after 1:30 AM mopping up hot spots.

Three sheds were destroyed due to the fire and around 4 acres of brush was burned. Damage is estimated at \$10,000.00. One person was identified as the cause of the fire by improperly discarding a cigarette. Charges are pending further investigation. Three bystanders were treated and released on scene for minor smoke inhalation while trying to put out the fire. No fire firefighters were injured.

The 36 hours prior to 8:00 July 5, 2007 the Grand Junction Fire Department responded to 18 fires and 33 EMS calls. We used mutual aid from Lower Valley, Clifton and Central Orchard Mesa three times during the night of the fourth.

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