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Fire Destroys Vacant Home

At 5:20 this morning, the Modesto Regional Fire Authority responded to a report of a structure fire at 1335 Hillside Drive in the Airport District of Modesto. The response brought 5 engine companies, 1 truck company, 2 Chief Officers, and 1 Investigator for a total of 22 personnel. Stanislaus Consolidated Fire District responded with an engine and chief officer as part of an automatic aid agreement. The first unit arrived within 6 minutes and reported a single story residence with fire throughout the building. Crews operated in a defensive mode, protecting the surrounding homes and extinguished the fire within 30 minutes. Once the fire was under control, crews performed a search for any possible victims. The search confirmed no one was inside and the home was vacant. No injuries were reported and the cause is still under investigation. Damage is estimated at $75,000.

The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind citizens to call 911 to report an emergency.