



Incident Information

Office of Public Affairs & Education

Date:	3-08-11	Adults Injured:	1				
Time Call Received:	1217 hours	Minors Injured:	0				
Incident Type:	Structure Fire	Civilian Fatalities:	0				
Address/Location:	4906 Deer Trail Ct.	Civilians Rescued:	0				
Incident No:	11-3050	Firefighter Injuries:	0				
Occupancy Name:	N/A	Firefighter Fatalities:	0				
Occupancy / # Units	Single-family dwelling	Pet / Animal Fatalities/ Injuries:	1-cat injured; smoke inhalation				
1 st In Company:	E-4	Assisting Agencies:	Larimer County Sheriff's Office, Larimer Humane Society, Poudre Valley Ambulance,				
Battalion:	1	Incident Control Time:	N/AV				
Dollar Loss:	N/AV	Incident Duration:	N/AV				
Dollars Saved:	\$200,000+	Total # Alarms:	2				
Displaced/Evacuated:	1	Total # Personnel	29				
Origin:	Basement	Incident Commander:	T. DeMint				
Cause:	Accidental	Submitted by:	Patrick Love 1630 hours				
Engines	Ladder Trucks	Brush Engines	Rescues	Ambulances	Water Tenders	Command Units	Investigators
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Fort Collins, CO- One man and one cat were injured in a residence fire southwest of Horsetooth Reservoir, west of Fort Collins. Firefighters responded to what was initially called in as a house on fire, with additional reports of "smoke pouring out of house" before their arrival. When firefighters arrived they found the injured occupant at the end of the driveway to a two-level, wood-frame, single-family residence with smoke coming from the chimney and filling up the main floor interior. The occupant was treated on scene by PVH Ambulance personnel and transported to Poudre Valley Hospital with unspecified injuries. The cat was found alive still inside the residence. It was treated on scene by firefighters and PVH Ambulance personnel then transported to a local veterinarian by the Larimer Humane Society.

Firefighters acted quickly to extinguish the fire in the basement and stop it running through void spaces in the ceiling/floor and walls. While in the process of fire extinguishment, firefighters found approximately 3-5 inches of fuel-oil and water in the basement room where the fire had started. The PFA Hazardous Materials unit was called to the scene to ascertain the type of material and any potential dangers. They determined that there was no danger to anyone from this spill outside the building, including neighbors. However, firefighters had to be decontaminated while still on scene. In addition, tasks such as a search of the residence for any potential persons trapped proved negative, and removal of smoke from the building was accomplished.

PFA Investigators determined the origin of the fire was in a basement room. The cause of the fire is listed as accidental; fuel vapors contacting an ignition source while the occupant was refilling a tank.

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