



PRESS RELEASE

City of Visalia Fire Department

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Grass Fire Possibly Started by Juveniles

At 2:05 p.m. on Saturday, August 27, 2016 the Visalia Fire Department was dispatched to a grass fire near Millcreek and McAuliff. It was reported that the grass was spreading and catching some large trees on fire so an extra engine and a Chief officer was dispatched. Upon arrival the first engine reported a grass fire with a moderate rate of spread. The second engine company approached the fire from the south side near a residential neighborhood. During the initial fire attack a third engine was requested to shuttle water and assist with fire operations. The fire burned approximately 2 acres with no damage to any structures. Ten personnel from three engines and one Chief officer were required to extinguish the fire.

According to a resident in the area there were three juveniles seen in the area prior to the fire, but nobody was around during the fire. No injuries were sustained to any civilians or firefighters.

Approved By: Battalion Chief Darrin Hughes

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