

Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Incident Notification

DATE: 6/18/2025

TIME OF ALARM: 7:06 PM

TYPE OF ALARM: Vegetation Fire

LOCATION: City of Antioch

RESPONSE: Multiple Alarms including Type 1 and 3 Engines, Trucks, Dozers, Handcrews, Battalion Chiefs,

Safety Officers, Incident Support Units, Investigators, and Air Support

ASSISTING AGENCIES: Antioch PD, East Bay Regional Parks, AMR, PGE, Cal Fire

TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: In excess of 150 Fire Personnel

Contra Costa County Fire crews were dispatched to an initial report of a vegetation fire in the City of Antioch near Somersville and James Donlon Blvd. The reporting party indicated smoke and flames seen in the area with an unknown size. **Engine 83** (*Antioch*) visualizing a large column of smoke while en route requested an immediate second alarm. This was a critical decision early that aided in getting resources to the scene quickly. While Engine 83's crew began a progressive hoselay (a very labor intensive firefighting tactic where firefighters continuously extend a charged hose line forward as they advance on a wildfire, ensuring an uninterrupted water supply right at the fire's edge), **Investigator 80** positioned himself to gain a better view of the fire and reported approximately 30 acres of fire in steep conditions, driven by the wind, and with a potential of several hundred acres.

Battalion Chief 8 arrived on scene and assumed command of the fire, requesting an additional alarm for structure protection as the fire began pushing towards homes in the Mira Vista neighborhood. *This was also a critical and well timed decision.* **Cal Fire** units began to arrive on scene along with firefighting aircraft units (*Including ConFire's own Copter 1 arriving on scene as the first air asset*). Air Attack report reported 150 acres with potential for more and focused it Tankers and Helicopters to the residential area. This, along with ground assets directed to homes, prevented any loss of structures from occurring during the entirety of the incident. Battalion 8 went into unified command with Cal Fire and worked collectively and collaboratively to direct resources for the best effective use possible.

Crew 12 (ConFire's own hand crew) extended past the progressive hose lines and attacked fire directly all the way to the top of the ridge and held the fire from extending. **Dozers 220** and **221** (ConFire's own bulldozers) made access to the fire early and in good position to wrap a solid line around the fire. Engine companies from both ConFire and Cal Fire worked aggressively through the incident and through the night to ensure that the fire remained within its footprint of 358 acres and protected homes. Fresh crews replaced existing companies the following day to continue mopping up the incident for 100% containment. Cause of the fire undetermined.

The Contra Costa Regional Fire Communications Center did an outstanding job with control, dispatching, fielding phone calls, and ensuring the District was adequately covered.

