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(Massive Semi-truck Fire on I-5 Near Wilsonville Shuts Down Highway for Several Hours)

Just before 3am this morning, firefighters responded to reports of an explosion and fire near the southbound lanes of I-5 near the Wilsonville Road exit. It was unclear to the passerby who called 9-1-1 as to what was on fire. When firefighters arrived, there were heavy flames showing from a semi-truck with two trailers that was located on the west shoulder of the highway. There were no identifiable placards or occupants on the truck and initial attempts to extinguish the fire only intensified the flames. Due to the huge amount of fire and potential for additional explosions, firefighters were forced to stay back

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