



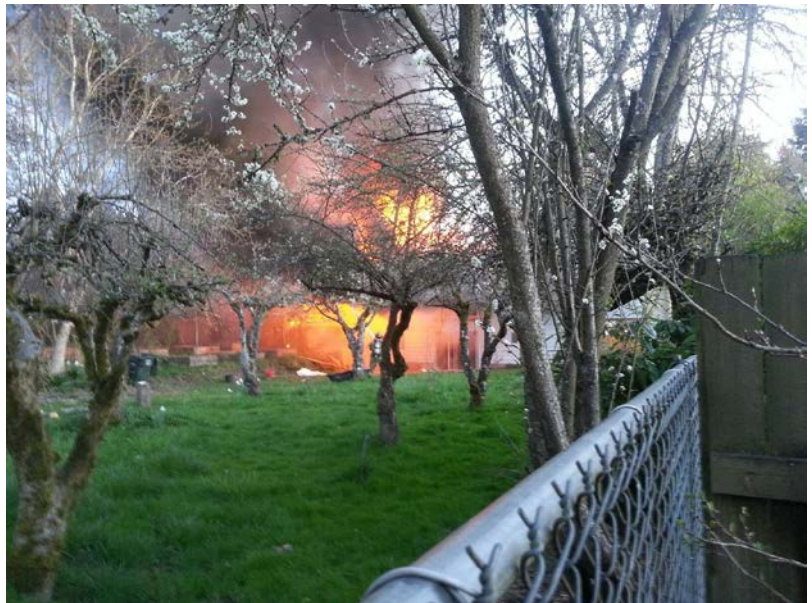
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Vacant Beaverton home heavily damaged by fire

TVF&R firefighters were dispatched at 7:28 PM to reports of black smoke coming from a home at 2000 McCamley Road in Beaverton. The first arriving crew reported heavy fire coming from several sides of the house. An immediate challenge was difficult access due to the flag lot configuration of the property. Additional crews stretched hose lines through the yards of adjacent homes in order to access all sides of the structure.

While there were reports that the house was vacant, firefighters initiated a search to be certain. In addition to heavy black smoke, the search was complicated by evidence of construction activity, including areas where the flooring had been removed with loose plywood left in its place. The home has a daylight basement beneath the construction area, so there were safety concerns. Despite this, the search was completed and no one was found.



With the closest home just 25 feet away, neighbors were very concerned about the blaze spreading. Quick action by firefighters contained the fire and it was fully controlled in 20 minutes. There were no injuries.

The home is estimated at 2500 square feet and is heavily damaged. The fire investigation process will begin later this evening; there is no information about a possible cause at this time.



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