

Sonoma County Fire District - Incident Report

Report Number: SRFD-2024-10-15-0230

Date: October 15, 2024

Time: 02:30 Hours

Incident Information

- **Location:** 1247 Vineyard Ridge Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95404
- **Incident Type:** Structure Fire - Wildfire Related
- **Alarm Level:** 3-Alarm Response
- **Incident Commander:** Captain James Mitchell, Engine 7
- **Weather Conditions:** Red Flag Warning, NE winds 45-75 mph, 8% humidity

Response Details

- **Initial Dispatch:** 02:30 Hours - Engine 7, Truck 12, Battalion 3
- **First Unit Arrival:** Engine 7 at 02:37 Hours
- **Fire Under Control:** 06:45 Hours
- **All Clear:** 08:15 Hours

Fire Cause and Origin

- **Cause:** Downed power lines (PG&E confirmed)
- **Origin:** Northeast corner of property, spread by wind
- **Contributing Factors:** Extreme wind, low humidity, dry vegetation
- **Arson Investigation:** Not required - accidental cause confirmed

Property Damage Assessment

- **Structure:** Single-family residence, 2,400 sq ft
- **Damage Extent:** 75% of roof structure, exterior walls heat damaged
- **Occupancy:** Residential - family of 4 evacuated safely
- **Utilities:** Power and gas shut off for safety

Evacuation and Safety

- **Evacuation Order:** Zone 7-West issued at 02:15 Hours
- **Residents:** Successfully evacuated, no injuries
- **Shelter:** Directed to Petaluma Community Center
- **Return Authorization:** Pending damage assessment completion

Witness Statements

- **Resident:** Michael Rodriguez - “Woke to evacuation alert, saw orange glow”
- **Neighbor:** Sarah Chen (1245 Vineyard Ridge) - “Fire came fast from northeast”
- **PG&E Technician:** “Lines down due to extreme wind conditions”

Reporting Officer: Captain James Mitchell, SRFD Station 7

Badge Number: 2847

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Supervisor Review: Battalion Chief Robert Hayes