INCIDENT:
Update to “Powerhouse Incident” 06/06/2013, at 4:00 p.m. (Assistance to Angeles National Forest)

TYPE OF INCIDENT:
Brush Fire

DISTRICT/LOCATION:
Fifth Supervisorial District
San Francisquito Canyon Road and Powerhouse Lateral, U.S. Forest Service
T.B. 4370 J1

DATE AND TIME OF OCCURRENCE:
Original Dispatch: Thursday May 30, 2013, 3:32 p.m.

INJURIES/FATALITIES:
No firefighter injuries reported today.

INVESTIGATION STATUS:
The cause of this incident remains under investigation.

INCIDENT UPDATE:
The Powerhouse Fire has remained within its perimeter today with officials reporting no fire spread. The fire continues to be in unified command with U.S. Forest Service (ANF), Los Angeles County Fire Department, and Cal FIRE. According to County officials the acreage burned has now been reduced to 30,274 due to improved mapping. The fire now has 78 percent containment. Full containment is expected by Monday, June 10, 2013. Currently unburned brush within the fire’s perimeter continues to heat up and smoke during the afternoon hours however there is no threat. At this time officials are reporting southwesterly winds between five and 25 miles per hour with wind gusts of 30 miles per hour and a temperature of 97 degrees. Currently, 1,918 firefighters are on scene battling this blaze. Damage assessment is ongoing, updated reports find 30 homes destroyed, three damaged, 28 outbuildings destroyed and one damaged. Currently, a total of 275 residential structures, three commercial buildings, and 75 outbuildings are in the affected area. Contingency plans are in place if more resources are needed. All evacuations have been lifted, but the pet evacuation center for displaced animals remains open. Hard road closures are in effect from Lake Hughes Road at Dry Gulch Motorway and from Lake Hughes Road to Sawmill. Lake Hughes, Pine Canyon and Green Valley remain open to residents only. No firefighter injuries have been reported today.

COUNTY FIRE RESOURCES:
County Fire resources currently assigned to this incident include: one engine strike team (consisting of five engines and one battalion chief), two patrol strike teams (consisting of five patrols and one battalion chief each), three dozer teams, one camp crew strike team (consisting of two crews and one superintendent), one mobile aide vehicle with two firefighter paramedics, one command trailer, one mapping vehicle, one technical specialist, two finance administration sections chiefs, two expanded dispatch recorders, one general mechanic, two damage inspection specialists, one geographic information services officer, two fire line emergency medical technicians, six captains,
two battalion chiefs, and two deputy chiefs. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles County Animal Control, Cal FIRE, and U.S. Forest Service are all assisting on scene.

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