



Woodstock Fire/Rescue District

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Press Release: WFRD Responds For Quickly Spreading Brush Fire - 10/11/24

News Release

On October 11, 2024, at 12:46 p.m., the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District was dispatched to a reported brush fire in the 2200 block of Stieg Road in unincorporated Woodstock. Upon arrival, just seven minutes later, firefighters encountered a fast-moving fire rapidly spreading through a cornfield.

Due to strong western winds, dry vegetation, and the potential for the fire to threaten nearby structures, the incident was quickly upgraded through the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) to request additional resources. Firefighters, along with additional water supply units and off-road capable apparatus, responded to the scene to assist in firefighting efforts. Given the rural location and the lack of nearby fire hydrants, securing additional water supplies and manpower was essential in containing the fire.

Firefighters worked quickly to bring the fire under control, declaring it contained at 1:56 p.m. Crews remained on site to extinguish lingering hot spots. In total, approximately 7.5 acres of farmland were affected by the fire. Fortunately, no injuries were reported.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation by the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District.

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