

## Woodstock Fire/Rescue District

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Press Release: Vehicle Fire on Valley Hill Road - 7/5/24

## **News Release**

On July 5, 2024, at 12:53pm, the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District responded to the 700 block of N. Valley Hill Road in unincorporated Woodstock for the reported vehicle on fire in a residential driveway. Firefighters arrived at the address within 10 minutes and encountered a 900-foot driveway leading uphill to the residence.

Once at the residence, firefighters observed a fully engulfed vehicle 10 feet from an attached garage. Firefighters quickly deployed two hand lines and began extinguishing the fire. Shortly into the incident, the vehicle's gas tank began leaking which created a troublesome fuel fed fire. A tow truck was requested to lift the front end of the vehicle which allowed firefighters better access the under carriage.

In total, 35 gallons of firefighting foam and 3800 gallons of water was used to extinguish the fire. The fire was considered out at 2:30pm and no injuries were reported. The house sustained minor damage but remains habitable. Due to the fluid runoff, the McHenry County Health Department and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) were notified of the incident. The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District.

Units: Chief 402, Battalion 4, Mechanic 439, Engine 442, Truck 481, Tender 471, Tender 1670, and PIO5

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