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Fire District to Break Ground for New Fire Station

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RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — On Thursday, July 1, 2010 at 4:00 p.m., the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District (RSFFPD) will break ground at 6424 El Apajo, the site of the new Fairbanks Ranch Fire Station. On hand at the groundbreaking will be the Fire District Board of Directors James Ashcraft, Thomas Hickerson, Nancy Hillgren, Randall Malin, and John C. Tanner, as well as the District Fire Chief Nicholas Pavone. Representatives from Fairbanks Ranch Communities, Jeff Katz Architecture, Ledor Construction, Inc., and Shapouri Civil Engineering will also participate in the groundbreaking.

The RSFFPD first opened the Fairbanks Ranch Fire Station, commonly referred to as Station 3, in 1984 in the community of Fairbanks Ranch, located across the road from the Helen Woodward Animal Hospital. In February of this year, this station was torn down to make way for a new fire station. Since then, firefighters have occupied temporary facilities, located behind Horizon Christian Fellowship Church, comprised of a doublewide trailer, which serves as their living quarters, and a portable shelter enclosure, which houses firefighting apparatus and equipment.

Unlike the old fire station, the new building is designed to the State's Essential Services Facilities Standard, which requires construction to withstand a significant seismic event. The new fire station will be located on a 0.86 acre site and consist of a two-story, 10,928-square foot building with a two-bay (double stacked) drive-through apparatus room, workshop, laundry, clean room and captain's office located on the first floor. The second floor living quarters include 6 firefighter dorms, a day room, a kitchen and dining area, a study, and a fitness room. Three firefighters will be assigned to this station on a daily basis with one fire engine and one brush engine.

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is "To protect life, property, and environment through prevention, preparedness, education and emergency response." Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 42-square miles and protects over 29,000 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of four full-time fire stations and serves the communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe and 4S-Ranch.

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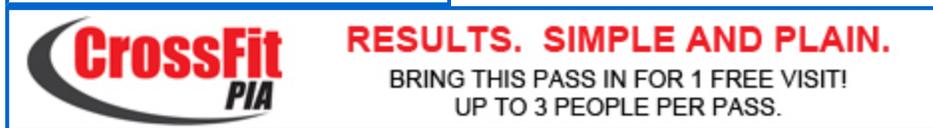
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Fire on Artesian Road Held to 2.2 Acres

29 June 2010



RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — On Tuesday, June 29, 2010, at 11:18 a.m., firefighters from the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District (RSFFPD) responded to a reported vegetation fire in the 7900 block of Artesian Road. The 2.2 acre fire was quickly contained. While there are residential structures in the area, none were immediately threatened. Crews remained on the scene for several hours to make sure there were no hot spots or flare-ups.



Responding RSFFPD units included two brush engines, one water tender, one fire engine, three chief officers, and a fire marshal. In addition, one fire engine and two hand crews from Cal Fire and one fire engine from the City of San Diego also responded to the incident. RSFFPD Battalion Chief Fred Cox served as the Incident Commander. No injuries or structure damage were reported. The cause is still under investigation.



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RANCHO SANTA FE ---- Firefighters quickly surrounded a vegetation fire burning in a field on Tuesday, a fire dispatcher said.

The fire, reported about 11:20 a.m. in the area of Artesian and Rio Vista roads, was halted at about 3 acres within 30 minutes, dispatchers said. Homes in the area were not threatened, and no one was hurt, the NorthComm dispatcher said.

Air tankers and helicopters from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection were dispatched but quickly cancelled, officials said.

There was no immediate word on the fire's cause.

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By [Kristina Davis](#), UNION-TRIBUNE STAFF WRITER

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NORTH COUNTY — A brush fire burning near Rancho Santa Fe Tuesday was contained to 2 acres.

The blaze was reported about 11:15 a.m. on Artesian Road south of the Crosby National Golf Club, said fire officials.

Several homes nearby were not threatened by the flames. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

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