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UPDATE

All lanes of traffic are open and the accident scene is clear.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded to the scene with Engine 3, Ladder 3, Tanker 1, Battalion 1, Fire Marshal 1, and the Rehab Bus. The Fire & Rescue Rehab Bus was utilized to temporarily house the 47 occupants of the passenger bus while they waited for a replacement bus to take them to a 4-H camp in Lake Gaston, NC.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

UPDATE

A wrecker is on the scene and Route 58 will been shutdown for approximately 30 minutes for the bus to be towed away. Traffic is being diverted to Portsmouth Boulevard during this time.

UPDATE

One lane of Route 58 westbound is open.

The tour bus had 40 people on board at the time of the incident. There were no injuries reported. The bus was heading to Lake Gaston, North Carolina.

SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE AND SUFFOLK POLICE RESPOND TO BUS FIRE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (August 7, 2014) Suffolk Fire & Rescue and Suffolk Police personnel are on the scene of a passenger bus fire on Route 58 westbound near Wilroy Road. Emergency Dispatchers were notified of the fire at 5:50 p.m. Route 58 westbound at the scene is currently closed due to the incident.

All passengers are off the bus and the fire is under control.

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