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FIRE DESTROYS HOME

SUFFOLK, VA (March 19, 2015) Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded this morning to a residential structure fire in the 7100 block of Elwood Road in the rural Holland area of Suffolk.

Emergency Communications received the call at 10:18 a.m. and the first units arrived on scene at 10:26 a.m. Upon arrival firefighters found heavy smoke and flames showing from the rear of the residence. The single occupant of the home had vacated the premises prior to the arrival of firefighters. The fire was called under control at 11:02 p.m.

The home was a total loss, and the resident will be assisted by family members. No firefighters were injured.

Engines 1, 4 and 7, Tankers 1 and 7, Medics 1 and 7, EMS 1, Rescue 1, Battalion 1, Car 1, Car 3 and the Fire Marshal's Office responded, and assistance was also provided by the Carrsville Volunteer Fire Department with an Engine and Tanker, in addition to the Holland Volunteer Fire Department who provided assistance with Tanker 7.

The fire was ruled accidental.

Suffolk Police provided traffic control and security and the roadway was briefly closed.

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