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Juveniles Playing with Fire Cause Blaze

At 2:32 pm yesterday, August 27, 2009, Klamath County Fire District No. 1 responded to Applegate Avenue and Martin Street with 4 engines, 1 Battalion Chief and a total of 12 personnel to a reported structure fire. The crews arrived on scene to find a 500 square foot building used for storage engulfed in flames. It took approximately 2 hours to extinguish the blaze. Klamath County Fire District No. 1 crews were initially hampered for access by a downed power line in the alley, PP&L was notified and power was cut to the area.

The fire was caused by juveniles using fire inappropriately; several of the juveniles are being questioned by city police. The loss to the structure is estimated at \$10,000. The contents received heavy smoke damage, but because most of the fire was contained to the attic it is not a total loss. There were no reported injuries.