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Subject : Structure Fire 1400 Block of John Hill Road

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On 11/18/18 at 1:57 P.M. Humboldt Bay Fire responded to a reported structure fire on the 1400 block of John Hill Rd. in Eureka.

Humboldt Bay Fire responded with one fire engine to a reported power line down causing a small fire outside of the residence. Upon further investigation the engine company officer located fire beginning to build inside an attached office area to the rear of the two-story Victorian structure. A full first alarm assignment was requested. Two additional fire engines, a ladder truck, and a chief officer responded. The down power line created an immediate hazard to responding personnel. Pacific Gas and Electric promptly responded to the scene and de-energized the service line.

Fire crews attacked the fire and had it extinguished within ten minutes. Additional fire personnel confirmed all occupants and animals were out of the house and safe. Fire personnel remained on scene for about an hour to remove smoke from the structure and to ensure the electrical issues had not caused any additional fires within the structure. The fire caused approximately \$5,000 damage.

The cause of the fire was directly related to the power service being damaged by a tree on the property that had fallen in to the power source for the house. Humboldt Bay Fire wants to remind everyone to stay away from any downed power lines. Although there may not be any sign of electricity, the line may still be energized and dangerous.

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