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PRESS RELEASE

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Three Mile Fire

Glenwood Springs, Colo – At 7:04 p.m. on July 12, 2020, Glenwood Springs Fire Department was called to a brush fire in the Three Mile area.

Upon arrival, firefighters found a small residential structure fully engulfed in flames and 20-foot-high flames in mature oak brush where the risk for wildfire spread was high.

Two water tenders, seven fire engines, and seven command vehicles responded with 42 firefighters which included mutual aid from Carbondale & Rural Fire Protection District, Colorado River Fire Rescue, Roaring Fork Fire Rescue, Interagency and the Forest Service. Garfield County Sheriff, Garfield County Road and Bridge, Excel Energy, Colorado State Patrol and Glenwood Electric also responded to this incident.

Pre-evacuation orders were quickly put into place for Three Mile residents, with evacuation order soon after. Evacuees reported to the Glenwood Springs High School until the orders were lifted around 9:00 pm. Mountain Springs residents had a Shelter In Place order until around 10:00 pm.

Incident Commander, Harlan Nimmo, said, “The rapid response by firefighters kept this 2-acre fire from turning into a very large and destructive wildfire.” The Glenwood Springs Fire Department would like to thank our mutual partners for their impressive response.

The fire is currently controlled and will be monitored throughout the night.

No injuries have been reported at this time.

The Garfield County Fire Investigation team is investigating this incident.

There will be no further information released.

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