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Falmouth Fire-EMS responds to House Fire on Rockaway Road

On Saturday evening at 5:11 p.m. Falmouth Fire-EMS was dispatched to a reported house fire on Rockaway Road. A severe thunder storm had just passed through the town when a neighbor smelled smoke and saw the fire. First arriving Falmouth Fire-EMS units found the 2nd story of half of the house well involved with fire. Given the rural nature of the fire and with the location being on the Windham – Falmouth border extensive mutual aid was brought to the scene. Both Windham and Falmouth crews were dispatched on the initial call and when the crews from both towns first arrived an additional alarm was struck bringing in all Falmouth units plus a crew from Westbrook to the scene. Tankers from Falmouth, Windham, North Yarmouth and Freeport brought water to the rural road from a hydrant in nearby Windham. Additional resources from Yarmouth and North Yarmouth were called to the scene during the incident to help rotate personnel in the very humid weather. Two ambulances from Falmouth also stood by on the scene. There were no injuries on scene.

The house sustained major damage from the fire. Portland Fire Department and North Yarmouth Fire Department covered the Falmouth stations during the incident.

Portions of Rockaway Road had to be closed to allow the tanker trucks to shuttle water to the scene.

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