Missoula Rural Fire District Press Release- For Immediate Release

1/3/2015

Missoula Rural Fire District (MRFD) was called to 409 Anaconda in Milltown for a structure fire at 9:16 pm. MRFD Engine 341 arrived on scene at 9:21 pm and found a single family home charged with heavy black smoke and flames coming from the back portion of the house. The occupant was out of the home and accounted for by the first arriving engine. The fire was knocked down initially by first arriving crews supported by mutual aid units from East Missoula Volunteer Fire Department. MRFD responded three engines, an aerial and a command unit and East Missoula responded two engines and a support vehicle to the scene. Highway 200 is currently limited to one lane of traffic and traffic control is being supported by MHP and MCSO units on scene. Missoula Emergency Services has an ambulance on standby at the scene. There are no reported injuries as a result of the fire. Unfortunately two pets were lost during the fire. The owner occupant is staying with friends in the area. Northwestern Energy secured the utilities on scene during the fire operation. Fire crews are still on scene completing fire overhaul. The cause of the fire is under investigation 12:22 pm.

Chief Bill Colwell

1/4/15

Update as of 1:45am

The fire has been declared out at this time. The home will remain in the custody of Missoula Rural Fire until the investigation can be completed in daylight hours later this morning. The highway has been opened for regular traffic.

Battalion Chief Blaine Cowan