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Fire Engulfs Rural Leeton Home

JOHNSON COUNTY, MO – At 8:21 PM on Monday, November 6, 2017, Johnson County Fire Protection District was dispatched to a residential structure fire at 68 SE 2 Highway, approximately two miles west of Leeton and just east of the 13 Highway junction. At the time of dispatch flames were visible from the exterior of the structure. The fire was reported by a passerby and the owner of the residence was not home.

JCFPD's Stations 2 (Leeton), Station 3 (Chilhowee), Station 9 (Cornelia), and Station 10 (Warrensburg) responded. The residence was fully engulfed by fire when the first arriving apparatus arrived. Crews battled an extremely strong wind during the entire incident. Fueled by the wind, the fire did spread to a nearby outbuilding but the fire in the outbuilding was extinguished quickly.

Crews remained at the scene for approximately four hours. JCFPD used approximately 35,000 gallons of water to extinguish the residence which was a total loss. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

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