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Accident Investigation Team Leader

Subject: 72-Hour Preliminary Report – Conner Fire Burn Injury

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Location: Conner Fire – Carson City District BLM

Date of Occurrence: June 20, 2025

Time of Occurrence: 1700

Local Agency Administrator: Kimberly Dow

Activity: Wildland Fire Suppression

Number of Injuries: 1 Number of Fatalities: 0 Property Damage: N/A

Narrative:

On June 20, 2025, at approximately 1700, a Bureau of Land Management (BLM) firefighter sustained second-degree burn injuries to the hands, wrists and face while suppressing the Conner Fire on the BLM Carson City District. At the time of the incident, the engine crew was assigned to hold and secure the fire edge along a mountain road when erratic, high winds caused a sudden and dramatic increase in fire behavior, exposing one crewmember to flame and radiant heat.

The crewmember was assessed on the fire by paramedics then transported via air to Renown Regional Medical Center in Reno, NV where treatment began and transferred via ground to UC Davis Medical Burn Center in Davis, CA for treatment of second-degree burns.

A Lessons Learned Review Team is assigned and working to provide a review and detailed report of the incident. The intent of the review is to learn from the events surrounding this incident and prevent future occurrences. On June 23rd, the Team participated in an in-briefing and received and accepted the Delegation of Authority.

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