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72 HOUR REPORT ON FLINT CANYON FIRE

To: Steve Ellis, Idaho State Director
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Subject: 72 Hour Report- Flint Canyon Fire

The Following information is preliminary and is subject to change

LOCATION: Flint Canyon Fire, 9 miles Southwest of Rockland, Idaho

DATE OF OCCURRENCE: September 6, 2012

TIME OF OCCURRENCE: Approximately 1820 Hours

ACTIVITY: Wildland Fire Suppression

NUMBER OF INJURIES: 0

NUMBER OF FATALITIES: 0

PROPERTY DAMAGE: BLM Type 4 engine destroyed

Narrative:

On September 6th, 2012 at approximately 1339 hours the Flint Canyon fire was reported to Eastern Idaho Interagency Fire Center. Engine 3462, a BLM Type 4 engine, was one of the engines dispatched to the fire for initial attack. The engine was dispatched to the fire at 1344 and arrived on the fire at 1426 hours. Engine 3462 was assigned to work on the NE side of the fire (the anchor point) and begin securing a disk line along the northern perimeter of the fire working west. The engine reached the NW corner of the fire. The engine was then parked along the fireline at the northwest corner (heel) of the fire. The crew was deployed below the engine conducting direct attack suppression activities. A crewmember spotted smoke upslope in the vicinity of the engine. The crewmembers responded immediately to the smoke to discover the rear of the engine engulfed in flames. By approximately 1840 hours the engine was fully engulfed by fire and was destroyed.

/s/ Carl Gossard, Investigation Team Lead

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