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Small Fire Under Investigation at Governor's Mansion Park CAL FIRE Asking Public's Help with Information

Sacramento - Following a small fire on the grounds of the Governor's Mansion State Historic Park in Sacramento, CAL FIRE- Office of the State Fire Marshal investigators are looking into how the fire started. Around 1 p.m. on Sunday, January 18, a California State Park ranger discovered a small extinguished fire next to the carriage house.

Several fire investigators from CAL FIRE-Office of the State Fire Marshal were dispatched to investigate what appeared to be a suspicious fire. Fire investigators found debris on a small metal hand cart had caught fire with several exploded butane and propane canisters nearby. The cart was located outside the carriage house at the time of the fire and did cause damage to the paint of the exterior wall, but the structure itself remained undamaged.

While the fire is suspicious, CAL FIRE- Office of the State Fire Marshal, along with California State Parks and the California Highway Patrol, has not determined an exact cause. The Mansion was closed during the time of the fire and investigators are asking anyone who may have witnessed any suspicious activity in the area to come forward. Anyone with information about the fire is urged to contact the CAL FIRE Arson Hotline at 1-800-468-4408. Callers can remain anonymous.

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Photos:

Photo of small metal hand cart with charred debris from fire:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B63s5etyr7jYY29RbjBDMGFwVXM/view?usp=sharing>

Photo of exploded butane canister nearby fire:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B63s5etyr7jYN1dGc2JqbWNnVzQ/view?usp=sharing>

Photo of overhead view of property indicating approximate location of fire:

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