



# STEAMBOAT SPRINGS FIRE RESCUE



## Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue Incident Information

SSFR Public Information Office: (970) 879-7170

Date:	02/08/2010	Adults Injured:	None				
Time Call Received:	20:06	Minors Injured:	None				
Incident Type:	Structure Fire	Firefighters Injured:	None				
Address/Location:	20390 W US Hwy 40	Civilians Rescued:	None				
Incident Number:	260	Civilian Fatalities:	None				
Occupancy Name:	Luke Berlet	Animal Injury/Fatality:	None				
Occupancy / # Units	Single Family	Initial Response Time:	16 Minutes				
1 <sup>st</sup> In Company:	Engine 63	Incident Control Time:	00:45				
Mutual Aid:	West Routt FPD	Incident Duration:	Five hours				
Property Loss:	\$400,000+	Total # Alarms:	Two				
Property Saved:	Some personal items	Total # Personnel:	18				
Displaced/Evacuated:	Five	Incident Commander:	Lindroth				
Origin:	Basement	Assisting Agencies:	RC Sherriff, RC Emergency Management, CDOT, CBI				
Cause:	Electrical	Submitted by:	Lindroth				
<b>Engines</b>	<b>Ladder Trucks</b>	<b>Brush Engines</b>	<b>Rescue Squad</b>	<b>Ambulances</b>	<b>Water Tenders</b>	<b>Command Units</b>	<b>Investigators</b>
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**Steamboat Springs, Colorado-** Routt County Communications Center received a 911 call from an occupant of this residence reporting smoke in the home and a possible fire in the basement. When Steamboat Springs Fire Rescue arrived they found fire in the basement and on the east end of the first floor of an older ranch house. The occupants; one adult, three children, and a dog, had evacuated.

The first arriving engine initiated a fire attack in the basement, then redeployed to the first floor. The fire extended through numerous void spaces and into the attic, involving three levels and creating structural instability. As additional crews arrived, extinguishment efforts continued for several hours until the fire was brought under control. The closest fire hydrant was 6 miles distant, necessitating a "rural water supply" utilizing Water Tenders to deliver water to the fire from Heritage Park.

The entire residence suffered significant smoke damage and at least half of the structure suffered fire damage. The five residents will be displaced for an undetermined period of time.

The origin has been determined to be in the basement and appears to have been caused by faulty electrical wiring.

Off duty SSFR firefighters as well as West Routt FPD firefighters, RC Sherriff's Officers, RC Emergency Manager, and CDOT responded to assist on duty fire crews. Colorado Bureau of Investigations assisted with the investigation.

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