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Firefighters extinguish 25-acre brush fire in Anahola

ANAHOLA – Kaua‘i firefighters extinguished a brush fire that broke out in Anahola late Sunday evening.

No injuries were reported and no homes were threatened despite the fire’s close proximity to a subdivision owned by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

At approximately 11:36 p.m. on Sunday, personnel from the Kaiākea and Kapa‘a fire stations were dispatched to a brush fire along Kukuihale Road, between Pilipoli Road and Anahola Road. Due to high winds and rapid fire spread, firefighters from the Hanalei, Līhu‘e and Kōloa stations soon joined the effort. A crew from the Department of Public Works also assisted with two water trucks and a bulldozer.

Crews were able to bring the fire under control and prevent it from spreading up Pilipoli Road towards the residential neighborhood. However, during their response firefighters located a large pile of abandoned mixed waste, such as vehicles, appliances and other items, which made it difficult to fully extinguish the blaze.

The excavator was used to gain access to the fire which had burned roughly 25 acres of heavy brush and grass. Personnel fully extinguished all flames and cleared the scene shortly before 5 a.m. Monday.

The cause of the fire is not yet known.