



## Humboldt Bay Fire News Release

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### Smoke Alarms Save Lives.

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**Subject :** Vegetation Fire, Foot of T Street

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At 12:55 P.M. today Humboldt Bay Fire responded to a reported vegetation fire at the Foot of T Street. Upon arrival, fire department personnel found a transient encampment on fire with citizens in the immediate area trying to extinguish the tent. At that point, there was approximately one-quarter of an acre of dry grass and brush burning. The fire was spreading slowly. Fire personnel told the citizens to evacuate the area as they were in immediate danger from the spreading fire.

Additional resources were ordered to the scene. The fire was contained on three sides by natural barriers, and fire crews improved a foot trail as a control line. Fire crews then managed the fire within the containment lines and removed unburned fuels. The fire was completely extinguished within approximately 1 ½ hours. There were no injuries at the fire and approximately three acres of grass and brush were burned.

Humboldt Bay Fire wants to remind everyone that campfires should never be left unattended. Only trained and equipped fire personnel should attempt to fight larger fires as fires can grow rapidly.

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