



NEWS RELEASE



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SUBJECT: ARSON INVESTIGATION MOVES FORWARD - VEHICLE OF INTEREST AND DRIVER FOUND

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Irvine, CA - The white Ford F150 truck that was announced as a vehicle of interest in the Santiago Fire has been found. The driver is currently working with the investigation team and is not considered a suspect.

It is believed that there were approximately 30-40 people in the Blackstar / Silverado area between 5:55 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. on the day the fire started. If you were in this area and took photographs or video, please call the tip line at 800-540-8282. Only those who have pictures or video from this specific area should call. Over 800 tips have been called into the Arson Tip Line.

At this time, there have been no suspects arrested and the joint investigation team consisting of members from the Orange County Fire Authority, Orange County Sheriff's Department, Alcohol Tobacco & Firearms and Federal Bureau of Investigation continue to work the case vigorously.

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