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Red Apple Fire Investigation

7-16-21- On July 14, 2021 the Chelan County Sheriff's Office executed a search warrant at a Monitor, WA residence that was believed to be the origin of the Red Apple Fire. During the investigation it was determined that the fire did not originate at this location and investigators were lead to an adjacent property approximately 50' from the residence. Investigators have determined that the fire was man caused, but it is unknown how the fire started.

This investigation was conducted by investigators from Chelan County Sheriff's Office, BLM, and DNR and continues to be an ongoing investigation.

7-13-2021- At 1855 hours, Rivercom dispatch center received a report of a grass/brush fire in the area of the 3300 Block of Red Apple Road, located between Monitor and Cashmere, WA.

With the fire quickly spreading, Chelan County Sheriff's Office and other agencies assisted with traffic control and emergency evacuation notifications.

The Chelan County Fire Marshal responded to investigate, in order to determine the origin and the cause of the fire.

7-14-2021 – With approximately 7000 acres burned and 1500 homes under evacuation notifications, Chelan County Sheriff's Detectives assisted the Chelan County Fire Marshal and BLM Fire Investigators in writing and executing a search warrant at a nearby residence believed to be the origin of the fire. At the time of this report, detectives and other investigators are actively investigating the case. Information will be updated as soon as possible and as the case investigation allows.