

## **Fireworks Still Causing Problems**

Centennial, CO – A structure fire that happened in 5800 block of South Quintero Court in Centennial this afternoon has been determined to be caused by fireworks. Witnesses in the area reported that a firework made its way into a tree which caused the tree to catch on fire. The fire in the tree soon spread to the exterior of a home. The fire involved the exterior of the home but was threatening to spread to the attic area before fire crews were able to get it under control. The fire was extinguished before it made its way into the interior of the structure; however damage to the exterior is extensive. Estimates on the dollar loss of damage are \$100,000.

Approximately 20 firefighters were on-scene. Cunningham Fire received assistance for the Parker-South Metro Fire Authority and Action Care Ambulance. No injuries have been reported. Investigators from Cunningham Fire and the Arapahoe County Sheriff's office are on scene conducting an investigation to determine the type of fireworks involved and the persons responsible.

Cunningham Fire would like to remind everyone that conditions are very dry and as a result the potential a fire caused by fireworks use is very high and fire are likely to quickly spread. Use of all fireworks in the city limits of Aurora, Centennial and Denver is illegal; and fires caused by use of firework can result in arson charges for those using the fireworks regardless if they are legal or not.