



Fountain Lake Fire Department
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Press Release

On Saturday April 17th, 2021 at approximately 8:30pm, Fountain Lake Fire Department responded to a chemical fire in a commercial building at 3595 North Highway 7. Arkansas State Police, Garland County Sheriff's Department, Jessieville Fire Department, Piney Fire Department, the city of Hot Springs Fire Department along with their hazardous materials response team, and several other departments and agencies responded to the location.

Upon arrival, there was one structure and several outside covered storage units already consumed by fire. It was discovered that there were many firearms, ammunition, large numbers of barrels containing unknown chemicals, boats, and vehicles inside the building and inside the covered storage areas.

The fire started outside the structure. Before the arrival of emergency personnel, the fire had spread from the structure behind the Floor Store and Automotive shop to the covered storage structures in the rear of the property.

Due to the presence of the exploding unknown chemicals, ammunition, barrels, and fuel tanks, a defensive fire plan was initiated. This plan was successful in protecting the adjacent businesses, storage buildings, and properties, while maintaining the safest operating conditions for all emergency responders and the general public.

The Fountain Lake Fire Department sends thanks to all the fire departments, agencies, and private individuals who responded to assist. This is a true visual of a community coming together in keeping our citizens safe.

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