Lightning ignites fire near Meyers station

A small fire sparked by a lightning strike started behind the Lake Valley Fire Station off Highway 89 in Meyers Monday.

The 20 square-foot fire is located on the east side of the major thoroughfare between Meyers and Luther Pass southwest of an area known as Cowboy Rock, Lake Valley fire officials reported.

The Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit sent a Forest Service crew to fight the fire, which started approximately 5pm.

Lightning has become the culprit of other fires in the Tahoe National Forest, including the Mears, French, Disney, Boca Springs and Groundhog and the Reservoir Fire on the north side of Stampede Reservoir. The Middle Fire located about nine miles northeast of Foresthill in the Peavine area was contained Monday afternoon.

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