

Heat tape, pine needles responsible for small fire

A South Lake Tahoe homeowner averted disaster after pine needles started smoldering from heat tape that had been left on.

Firefighters responded Dec. 14 to a report of a fire in the eaves of a house.

The occupant used a extinguisher to put out flames.

Officials said the roof and gutter were full of pine needles and debris.

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