

Sprinkler Save

Date: October 19, 2011

Time: 22:21 hours

Address: 100 block of Hwy 13 E, Burnsville, MN

Burnsville Fire Department responded to a general fire alarm at a multi-family complex. Alarm was triggered by a fire to an artificial tree in the lobby. One sidewall sprinkler head, which was directly located above the tree at the 2nd floor ceiling level (atrium ceiling) activated. At the same time as the sprinkler head activated, maintenance personnel discharged an ABC fire extinguisher on the fire. A second fire extinguisher was obtained but not needed. Sheetrock damage was minor. Residents were able to return to their apartments that evening.

The cause of the fire is a heat source applied to combustibles and is classified as an incendiary fire.

