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Clay Fire Responds to Two Structure Fires Wednesday Morning

Crews from Clay Fire Territory responded to two separate house fires Wednesday morning. The first of the two fires came out just before 7 am in the 19000 block of Stateline Road. Crews arrived within minutes to find smoke coming from the chimney and eaves of an abandoned one story house. The fire was located and quickly contained to the basement and a first floor closet. The cause of the fire is believed to be due to the electrical service coming into the house making contact with the homes gutter and shorting out its out of date electrical system.

The second fire was dispatched just after 10 am in the 50600 block of Mallow Court. The homes occupants called 911 after discovering a fire in an upstairs bathroom. Clay Fire arrived on scene quickly to find a two story house with smoke coming from the attic vents. Within minutes crews had located and extinguished the fire and contained the damage to the ceiling in the bathroom. The cause of the fire was due to a malfunctioning exhaust fan in the bathroom. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries reported at either fire.

Clay Fire recommends having older electrical systems within your home inspected by a licensed electrician to ensure they are up to date with the current codes to reduce the chances of an electrical fire.



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