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*****MEDIA ALERT*****

CITY OF CHICO FIRE DEPARTMENT RESPONDS TO FIRE IN COMANCHE CREEK GREENWAY

(Chico, CA – February 3, 2021 –) On February 3, 2021 at 5:04 a.m., the Chico Fire Department responded to a report of a large vegetation fire in the Comanche Creek Greenway. Engine 4 and Battalion 1, along with Engine 44 from Butte County Fire, arrived to find a large tent structure fully engulfed in fire with two adjacent tents beginning to catch fire.

Firefighters got knockdown on the fire in approximately 10 minutes but were delayed by a series of small explosions coming from inside the fire. After knockdown of the fire, firefighters searched for victims in the fire area and found none.

One female victim was found in the parking lot of the Comanche Creek Greenway suffering from severe burns to her face and hands. Firefighters initiated treatment and paramedics were requested to the scene. The victim was taken to Enloe Medical Center, and then later transferred to UC Davis Burn Center.

The Chico Police Department was also at scene assisting with interviews and investigation along with Chico Fire Department investigators. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

For more information, please contact Chris Zinko, Chico Fire Deputy Chief, at (530) 897-3402 or Lynda Gizzi, Public Information Officer, at (530) 896-7204.

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