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## **Fire Destroys Holden Barn**

**HOLDEN, MA** A barn on Reservoir Street used by the owner for equipment storage and repair was destroyed Thursday morning by a fast moving fire the cause of which is undetermined at this time. No one was injured in the blaze, but the building is a total loss, according to Holden Fire Chief Russ Hall.

According to Chief Hall, a 911 call to the regional dispatch center at 9:14AM reported a fire in a barn. When Holden Fire units arrived, the structure was found to be fully involved. Holden Firefighters with assistance from Paxton Fire quickly brought the fire under control. No injuries were reported at the scene.

"Responding to calls like this can be challenging during the current COVID-19 pandemic," stated Chief Hall. "We're working hard to keep all of our emergency personnel, which includes EMTs and paramedics, safe and healthy so that we're able to respond quickly and effectively to every call".

Units from Rutland and West Boylston provided station coverage at Holden Fire headquarters and Chaffins Station 2 during Thursday's fire.

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