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Small Fire Quickly Extinguished at Pueblo County Jail

Pueblo, CO: Pueblo County Sheriff's detention deputies quickly extinguished a small fire in the Pueblo County Jail this morning. The cause of the fire was determined to be due to maintenance work being done in a wing of the tower portion of the aging jail. Jail operations were not hampered by the incident and no one was injured.

Maintenance crews were welding in a wing on the third floor of the jail at about 10:15 a.m. when insulation caught fire. Detention deputies quickly put out the fire with extinguishers. Pueblo Fire responded and confirmed the fire was out.

Detention deputies temporarily moved inmates housed in a wing near where the fire started. No other areas of the jail were affected by the incident. Inmates were moved back to their housing area less than 30 minutes later. Damage was minimal.

"Our detention deputies are to be commended for their quick actions in responding to and extinguishing this fire," said Pueblo County Sheriff Kirk M. Taylor. "Their swift actions prevented the fire from spreading and alleviated any major disruption to jail operations."

"I also want to commend our partners with the Pueblo Fire Department for their rapid response and assistance in ensuring the safety of our detention center."

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