

Friday fire sparks investigation

(KAIR)--An investigation is underway following a Friday afternoon Atchison County fire that destroyed a barn.

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie, in a release, said deputies responded to the 18000 block of U.S. Highway 159 around 3:30 Friday afternoon following the report of a structure fire.

Local fire departments handling the fire on the scene, located north of Muscotah, advised deputies that the fire was started due to non-compliance of the Atchison County burn ban that had been in place at the time of the fire.

According to Laurie, it's believed the fire began when the man was trying to burn off grass.

His name is not immediately made public as the investigation continues.

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