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## **INITIAL PRESS RELEASE**

**Date:** June 11, 2012

**Issued by:** Dispatcher Brandon Barlage per  
Fort Jennings Fire Chief Jim Gerdeman

**Type of Incident:** Structure Fire

**Location:** 24621 Road T, Fort Jennings

### **Information Released:**

At 4:07 am today's date, the Putnam County Sheriff's Office received numerous 911 calls reporting a structure fire at 24621 Road T, between Fort Jennings and Delphos. The first caller was a resident advising the pole barn on the property caught fire and was becoming fully engulfed very close to the resident's home. Everyone at the residence was able to escape the property without injury, and the fire departments were able to prevent damage to the nearby residence. The 40' by 60' barn, storing vehicles, an RV, and other miscellaneous items, was a total loss. The property is owned by Nate Rostorfer. Damage estimates and the cause of the blaze have not been determined at this time. Fort Jennings Fire Department had primary jurisdiction, they received mutual aid from Ottoville Fire Department and Delphos Fire Department. Also assisting at the scene were Ottoville EMS, Paulding Putnam Electric, and the Putnam County Sheriff's Office.

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