
Barrio Logan Scrap Yard Fire Raises Concerns About Safety

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A fire burns at a recycling yard in Barrio Logan, July 23, 2015.

Barrio Logan residents are concerned after a fire broke out at a scrap recycling yard in their neighborhood on Wednesday night.

SA Recycling runs scrap yards all over Southern California. It operates one location in San Diego and that yard sits across the street from a half dozen homes.

The [Environmental Health Coalition](#) said firefighters arrived on the scene about 11:20 p.m. on Wednesday.

The fire was knocked down in a little over 20 minutes, but crews remained on scene until about 1:40 a.m. for "extensive overhaul," a fire dispatcher said.

Firefighters initially consulted a hazmat crew, but determined it was not needed, the dispatcher said.

No injuries were reported.

The Environmental Health Coalition said the fire frightened residents because they didn't know if they were at risk.

The community is looking for better information so residents can make good decisions, said Environmental Health Coalition associate director Georgette Gomez.

"It's clear that we have a lack of communication ... emergency relief. So we really want to work with the city on that because anything could happen here at any given time," Gomez said.

Barrio Logan doesn't have a working community plan that keeps industrial businesses and homes in separate locations.

A good plan would help separate the two, Gomez said.

City News Service contributed to this report.

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