

Two Alarms in Cary This Morning

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Two alarms were struck in Cary this morning at 1102 Walnut Street. On the Border restaurant, located across the street from Cary Towne Center. Engine 2 arriving with heavy fire showing from the exterior patio of a one-story, brick-and-wood restaurant with 6,869 square feet. Built 1996.

Fire extending to interior dining room and other interior spaces. Attack with two-inch line from Engine 2, plus additional hand lines. Ladder 1 positioned on Walnut Street. Ladder 3 positioned and deployed (but no water flowed) in parking lot, behind structure. Command and medical also located in parking lot. One hydrant caught, also in the parking lot.

Dispatched 12:16 a.m. Contained within 15-20 minutes. Controlled 1:30 p.m. Extended overhaul, with units on scene for a number of hours. Building unoccupied at the time of fire, and had been vacated about thirty minutes prior. No information on cause yet announced in news.

First alarm was E2, E4, E3, L3, R2, B1, and Swift Creek Engine 1. Second alarm was E1, L1, B2, and Car 3.¹ Plus WC1 for investigation. Medical with EMS 51, EMS 8, EMS 4, M91, and T1.

And with Station 2 relocating in two weeks, it's likely the last two-bagger for Engine 2 from that location. (Engine 2 and Rescue 2 will move to the new Chatham Street station. On the same day, Engine 9 will be placed in service at the current Station 2, and Ladder 6 will become the quint company Engine 6.)

[FireNews.net on Twitter](#) posted this pre-arrival picture. Below that are a couple pictures by [Mike Legeros on Twitter](#), taken later into the incident. And forthcoming to his [photo site](#):



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Mike Legeros photos

¹What constitutes a second alarm in Cary? There are two flavors:

- Moderate risk, which are most of the structures in Cary:
First Alarm - Three engines, one ladder, one rescue, one Battalion Chief, and one mutual aid engine.
Second Alarm - One engine, one ladder, one Battalion Chief, one Asst. Chief.
- High risk/high rise:
First Alarm - Three engines, two ladders, one rescue, two Battalion Chiefs
Second Alarm - One engine, one ladder, one rescue, one Asst. Chief.