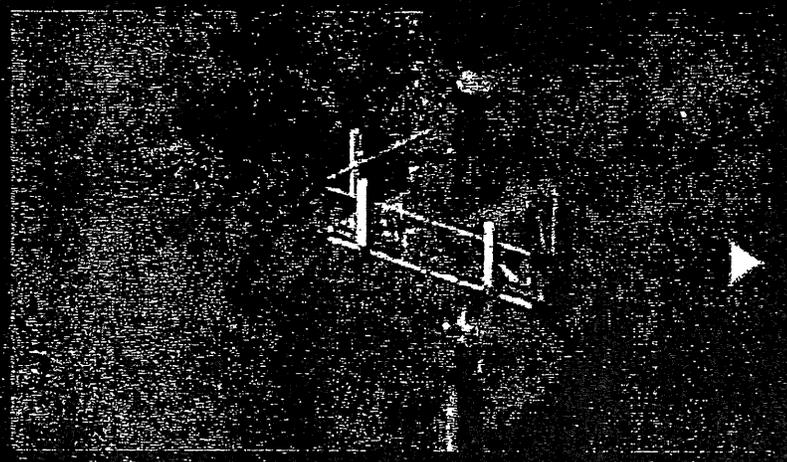


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Updated: Aug 21, 2013 - 4:15 PM



**SANFORD, Fla.** - A cellphone tower caught fire Wednesday in Seminole County, according to fire rescue officials.

The fire happened on Historic Goldsboro Boulevard while cell tower crews were doing welding work, officials said.

Officials said there were four employees working on the tower at the time of the fire, and one off-site.

"They (workers) got down before we even got fire crews on the scene," said Sanford Fire Chief Tim Robles.

They were adding shaft and phalanges, fire officials said.

The workers realized they had to get down fast. They didn't have time to lower the bucket so they secured it and got down on their own.

Businesses were evacuated and roads within a 170-foot radius of the 127-foot tower were closed.

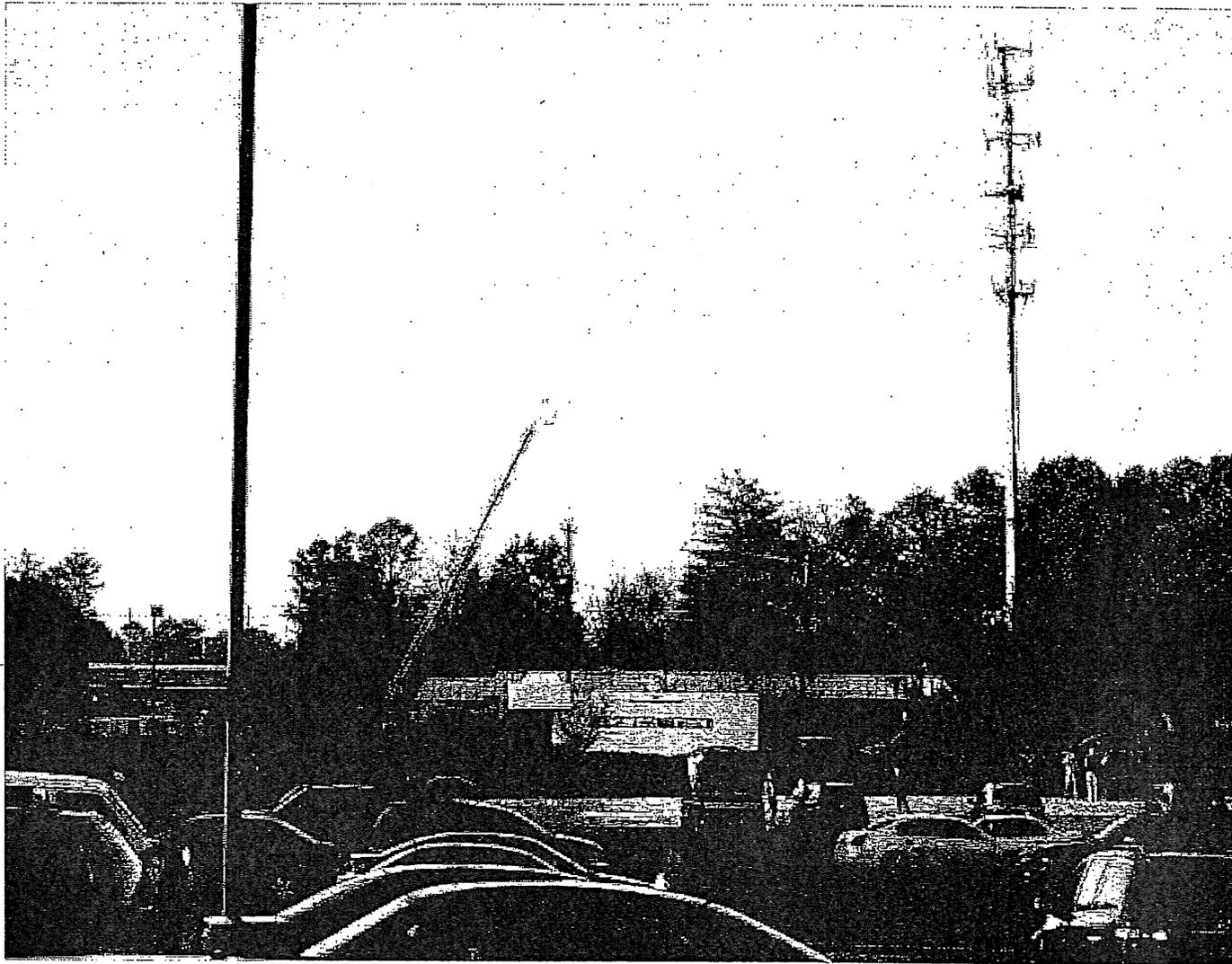
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Once the fire was watered down and the metal cooled, it amazingly righted itself, the fire marshal said.

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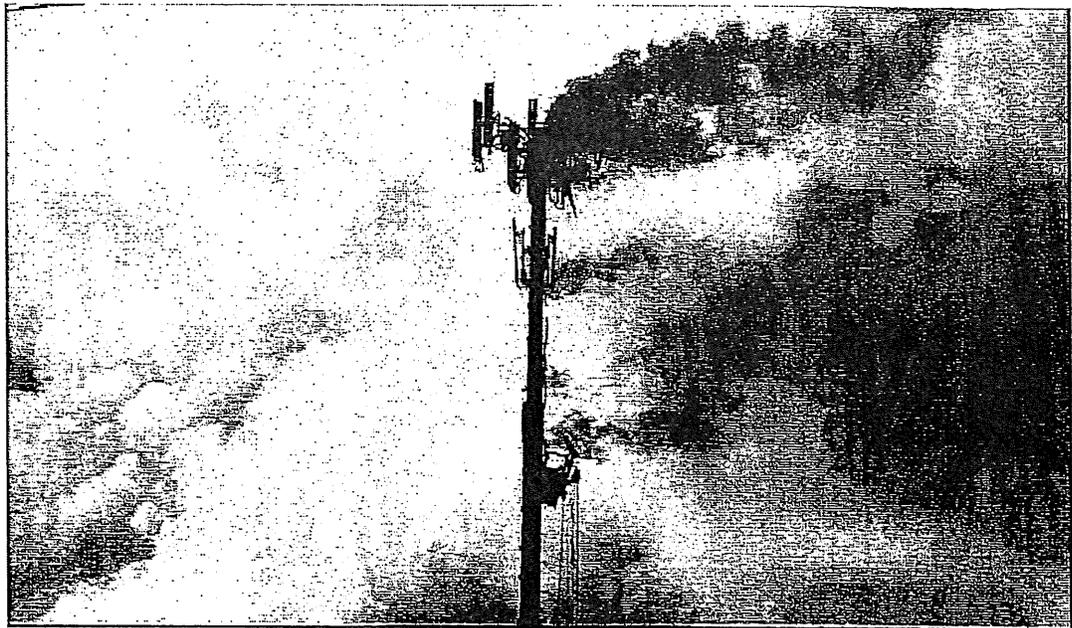
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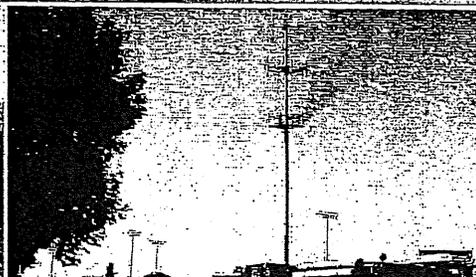
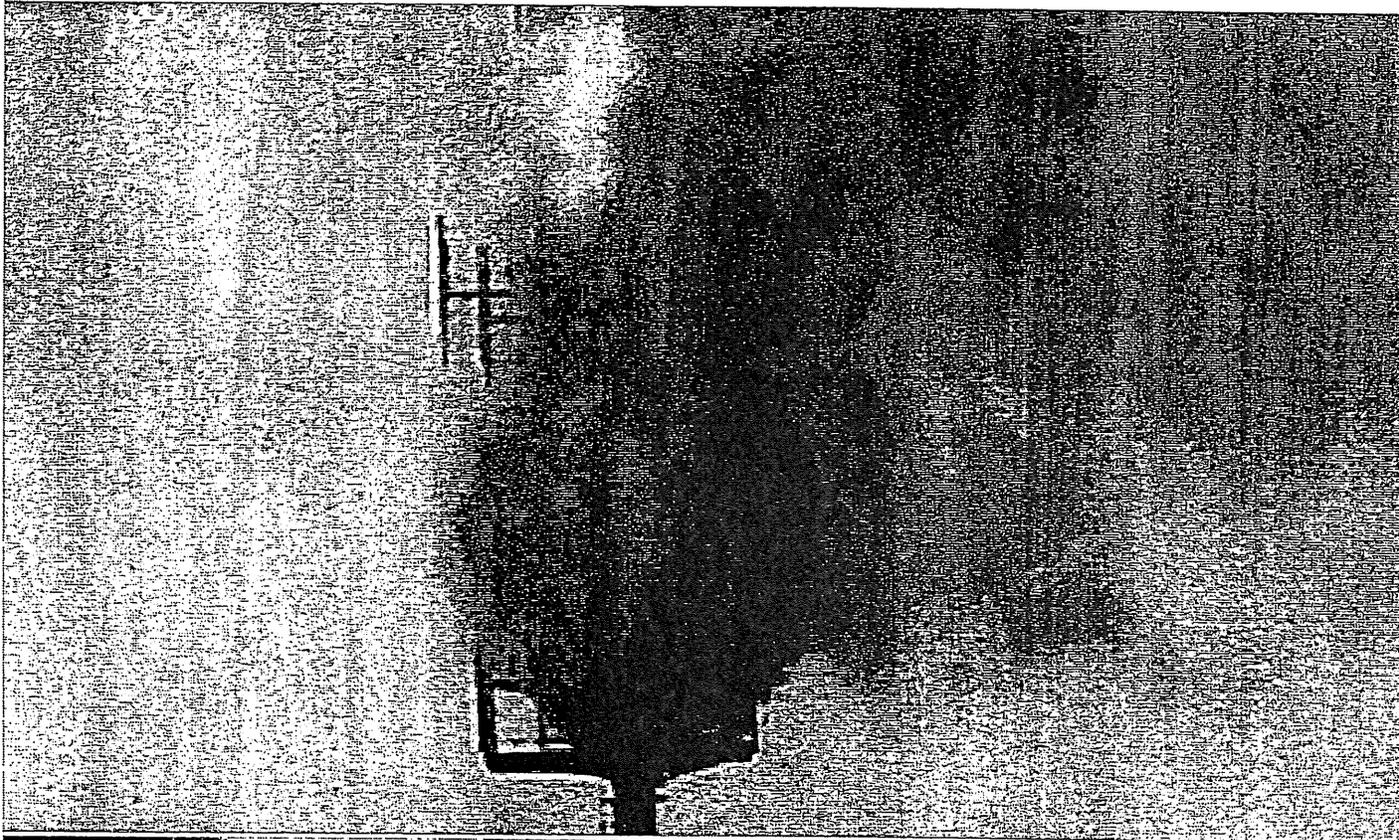
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Residents of the Bensalem Woods complex remain out of their homes due to safety concerns, Bensalem police say.

PECO crews were called to the scene to de-energize electric service to the tower.

As of 1:45 p.m., the tower is still standing, but it is leaning over the Public Works facility.

Thackeray Crane representatives are at the scene to see what can be done with the leaning tower.

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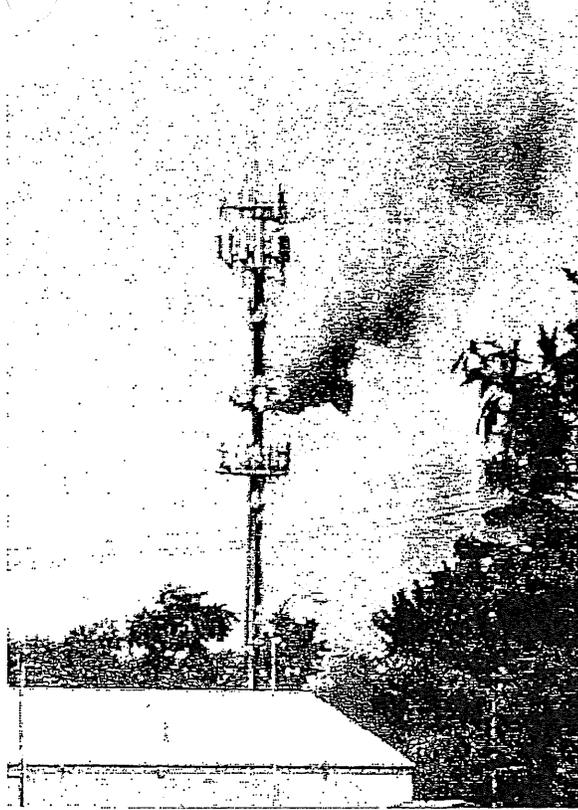
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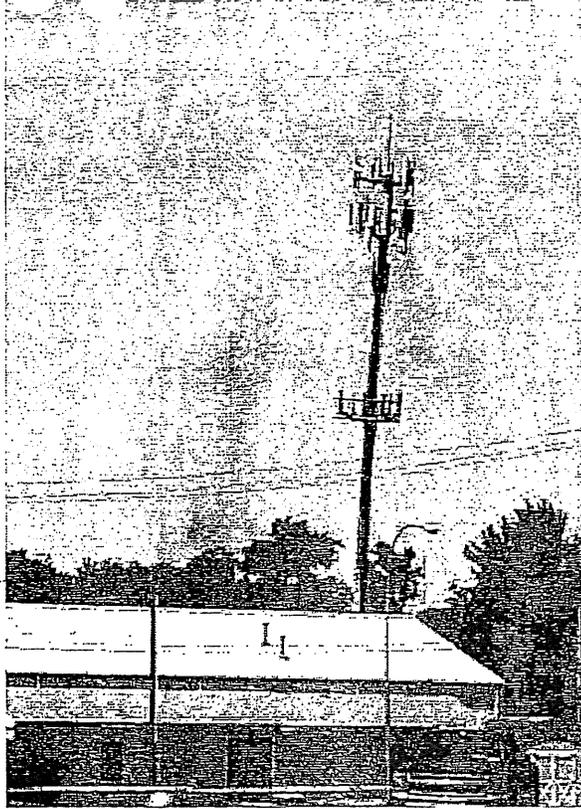
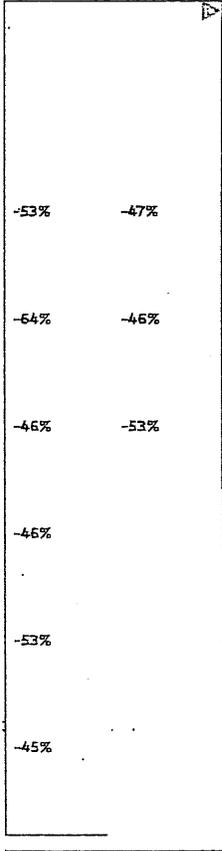
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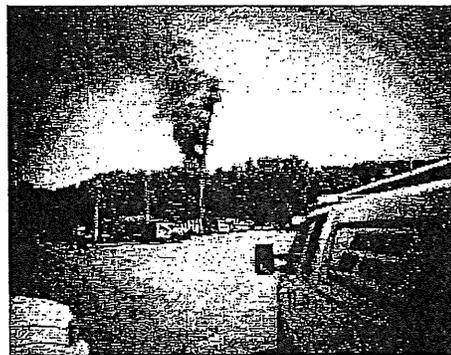


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**Original story:**

A cell phone tower off Byberry Road at the Bensalem Township Public Works Complex is reported to be on fire and may collapse, according to reports.



A photo of the fire.  
Credit: Twitter.com/Bensalem\_Fire

The tower is leaning and officials could be heard on the scanner order evacuations for the Bensalem Township complex and nearby Bensalem

Woods housing complex.

According to NBC 10, the township's Public Works manager confirmed the tower may fall on their facility.

Photos from the scene show smoke and flames billowing from the tower. A fire official said the tower was "well involved."

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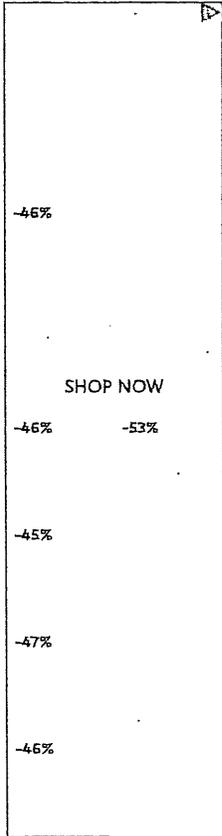
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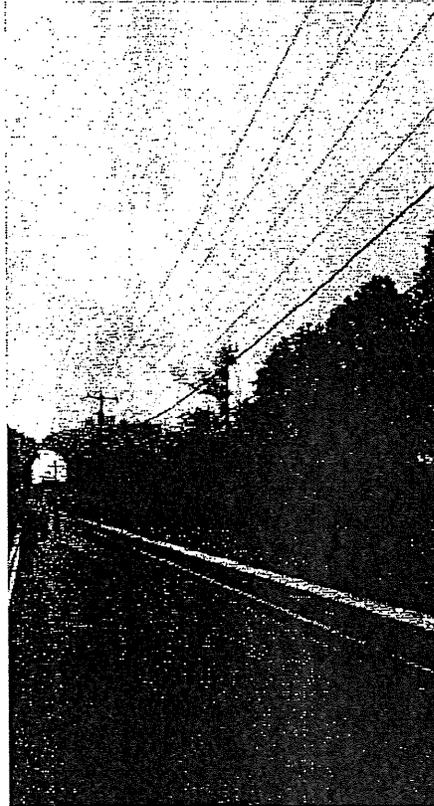
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Firefighters were heard on the radio staging crews in preparation for a possible collapse.

Emergency crews responded to the scene just after 11 a.m.

Bensalem Public Safety Director Fred Harran said on 6abc's noon newscast that crews were working on the tower around the time the fire is believed to have started.



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By **William D'Urso** 

Published Monday, Feb. 4, 2013 | 2:10 p.m.

Updated Monday, Feb. 4, 2013 | 4:20 p.m.

A fire on a Verizon Communications Inc. cell phone tower has forced authorities to shut down the U.S. 95 exit and on-ramps to Jones Boulevard.

The fire started about 11:30 a.m. when welders were working to reinforce the structure with additional metal plates, Las Vegas Fire & Rescue spokesman Tim Szymanski said.

Szymanski said the ramps were closed because the tower is leaning toward NV Energy power lines.

He said workers were using a crane to take the tower down in sections that was to take about an hour. He said power in the area was shut down while the work is under way.

The ramp remains closed, and it is unclear when traffic will be allowed through, Nevada Highway Patrol Trooper Loy Hixson said.

Workers from NV Energy and Verizon are on scene, but authorities did not know if power to homes or cellphone coverage had been affected.

Welders were working on tower when the fire started, Szymanski said.



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A welder's torch sparked a fire to a cellphone tower late Monday morning in Brownsville, Fire Chief Lenny Perez said.

Brownsville police cordoned off the area around the tower near East Polk, East Taylor and East 26th streets shortly after 11 a.m.

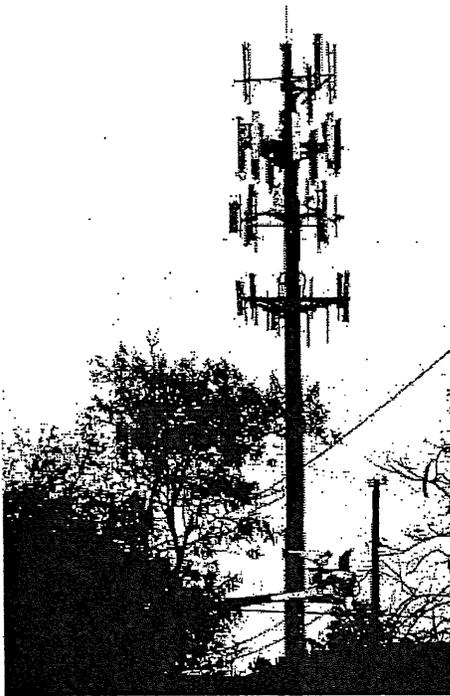
Sparks from the welding ignited insulation on the wires, Perez said.

There weren't any visible flames around noon, but smoke could be seen periodically escaping from the body of the tower as residents watched.

Brownsville Public Utilities Board spokesman Ryan Greenfeld said workers cut power to the high-voltage antenna so the fire department could control the fire.

Some residents lost power but it was restored by 1 p.m., Greenfeld said.

The antenna will be disconnected until it is replaced, he said.



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A Brownsville Public Utilities Board employee in a bucket truck maneuvers into position to disconnect electrical lines near a cell phone tower at 25th and East Taylor streets that had been on fire. The Brownsville Fire Department said welding sparks ignited the fire.

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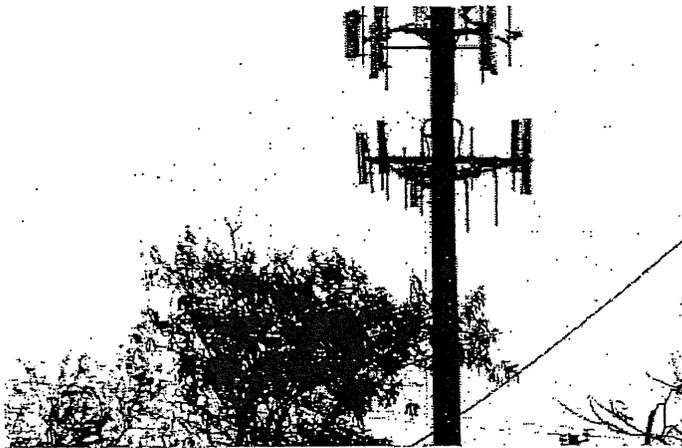
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By Jarad Matula on JANUARY 10, 2014

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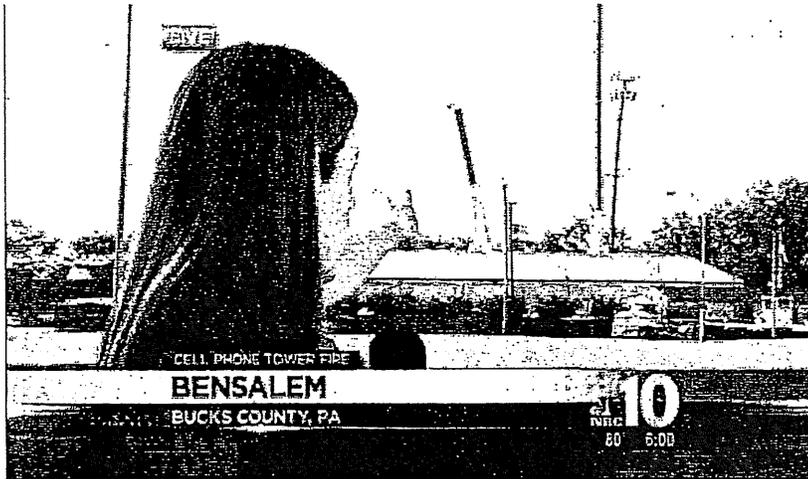


# Welding Sparked Cell Phone Tower Fire: Official

Officials figured out what caused the fire that left a cell phone tower leaning, ready to collapse

By Karen Araiza

Published Jun 21, 2013 at 11:46 AM | Updated at 3:54 PM EDT on Jul 8, 2013



Police tell us two welders were working on the tower when flames erupted almost 80 feet in the air. NBC10's Deanna Durante reports with the latest. (Published Friday, June 21, 2013)

			
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Welders were working 70 feet in the air on a cell phone tower in Bensalem, Bucks County when sparks set off an intense fire ten feet above them. They tried to put it out, but ended up having to race down to get help.

"They rappelled quickly. . .and called 911," said Fred Harran, Public Safety Director for the township.

The fire spread quickly and left the tower, which stands nearly 10 stories high, leaning over precariously. Authorities were afraid gravity would win out and it would come crashing down on top of the township's Public Works Building. But there are also homes and an apartment complex nearby. Anyone who could see the tower burning, could also see it bending and swaying from the heat.

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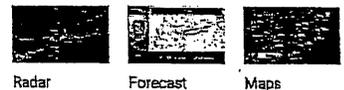
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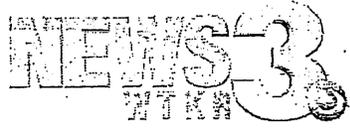
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## Osprey nest, electrical problem sparked Poulsbo cell tower fire

POULSBO — An osprey nest and an electrical malfunction ignited the cell phone tower fire that closed down State Route 305 for 12 hours Monday in the Lemolo area. Kitsap County Deputy Fire Marshal Tina Turner said an electrical malfunction at a lighted beacon on top of the 150-foot tower caught the bird's nest on fire before 4 a.m. Monday. Turner said the birds likely damaged the beacon or its 110-volt power wire while building their nest, contributing to the fire.

By Tad Sooter

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An osprey

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The fire spread from the top of the tower down through its hollow interior, burning through electrical cable insulation, Poulsbo Fire Battalion Chief Bruce Peterson said. The tower was glowing red nearly to its base when fire crews arrived. Firefighters allowed the fire to burn out on its own.

The tower leaned precariously, raising concern it could fall across the highway. The state Department of Transportation closed both lanes of SR 305 and detoured traffic through Lemolo. Verizon, which operates the tower

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## Cell phone tower to be taken down following fire

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By Alexis Stevens, The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

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Fiber optic cable on the tower caught fire Friday afternoon, forcing road closures in the Lilburn area.

A telecommunications company was welding on the 150-foot tower, in the 500 block of Rockbridge Road, when the fire sparked shortly before 3 p.m., according to Capt. Tommy Rutledge with the Gwinnett County Fire Department.

After the fire was extinguished, fighters remained on the scene for several hours and were wetting down the area around the tower in preparation for any falling embers or the possibility of the tower falling, Rutledge said. The tower was leaning slightly and firefighters created a "collapse zone" in the event it falls, he said.

Rockbridge Road was temporarily closed between Arcado Road and Lilburn-Stone Mountain Road while firefighters battle the blaze, according to Cpl. Jake Smith of the Gwinnett County Police Department. Miller Road also was shut down at the intersection of Lilburn-Stone Mountain Road, Smith said.

A crew was dispatched to the scene to cut the power supply to the tower, Rutledge said.

Five homes and a daycare center were evacuated as a precaution. About 20 children and 10 adults were moved to a parking lot across the street, away from the hazardous area, Rutledge said.

Bethany Lee told the AJC her home was one of those evacuated. She and other neighbors were concerned about the possibility of the tower falling, she said.

"I am amazed that it did not collapse," Lee said. "That was our biggest worry because all of our homes would have been in grave danger."

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### Fire in Pr. George's Cell Phone Tower Extinguished

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Prince George's County firefighters this morning extinguished a fire that broke out in a cell phone tower in Temple Hills where contract workers were applying additional support beams, a fire department spokesman said.

The fire ignited around 11:10 a.m. in the 5300 block of Beech Place, said Mark Brady, chief spokesman for the county fire department. Contract workers were using a welder to apply the support beams, and plastic pipeway inside the tower caught fire, Brady said.

It took county firefighters about a half hour to put out the blaze, Brady said. Firefighter used a 100-foot tower ladder to help extinguish the blaze. Fire and heavy smoke was visible from the top of the tower to about three-quarters of the way down, he said.

The tower at one point leaned to one side, and about a dozen workers from a nearby waste management company were briefly evacuated, Brady said.

After the tower cooled, it straightened out, Brady said. The tower, owned by the cell phone company Sprint, sustained about \$75,000 in damage, and Sprint officials said they will replace the tower, he said. No injuries were reported.

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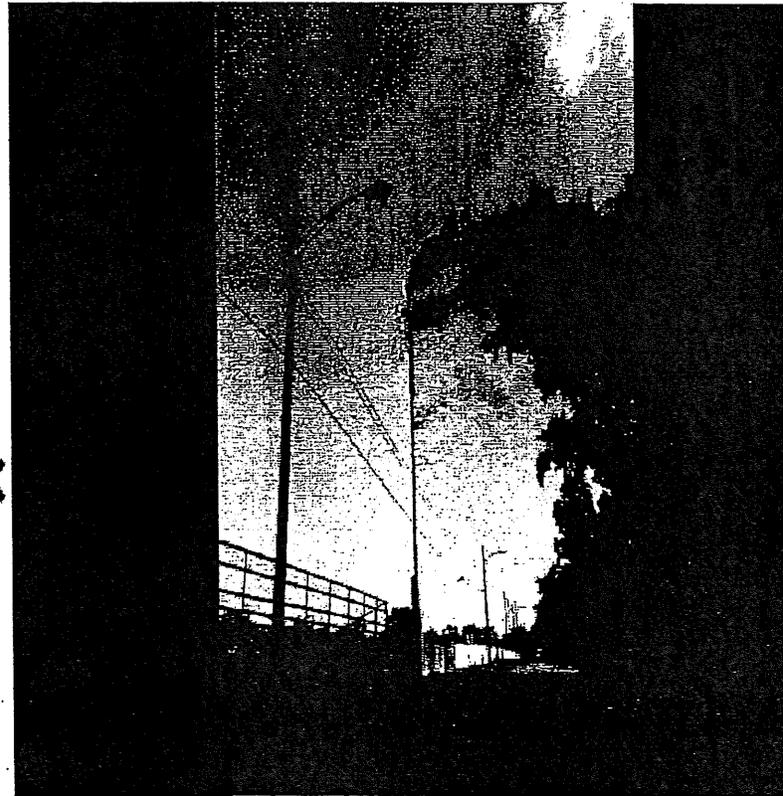
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The leaning tower straightened up after it cooled down.

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Prince George's County firefighters battled a blaze at a cell phone tower in Temple Hills Friday morning.

Units were called to the 5300 block of Beech Place just before 11 a.m. for a 125-foot tower on fire and leaning.

"People see it, and they see this large, humongous metal structure, and it's on fire," Mark Brady, of Prince George's County Fire and EMS. "And the only thing combustible about it is the wiring and the conduit inside of it, and that's exactly what was on fire."

According to the fire department, contractors doing welding work accidentally ignited conduit and wiring inside of the tower shaft. The heat caused the tower to lean, and a waste management company was evacuated.

Authorities said the fire was extinguished in about 35 minutes, and once the tower cooled down, it moved back into a vertical position.

The tower, which is owned by Cingular, was declared a total loss, and the integrity of the tower was compromised, so the tower was scheduled to be dismantled. A mobile tower will be set up until a new permanent structure can be built. Cell phone service may be spotty in the area until the mobile tower is erected.

Damages from the fire are estimated at \$75,000.

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# Update: Cell tower fire unrelated to Middletown police communication interruption

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Middletown police are operating their radios on a secondary frequency after a fire at a cell tower on Normandy Road knocked out communications.

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**MIDDLETOWN** – Authorities have determined the cell tower fire on Normandy Road was unrelated to the police department's main radio channel going down.

The fire, which has since been extinguished, started around 11:20 a.m. on a Normandy Road cell tower that crews were working on, police said.

The Middletown Police Department's main radio frequency went out shortly after, and was originally believed to be caused by the fire. However, police said at around 2:20 p.m. that they determined the department does not have any equipment on the cell tower and that the radio problem is unrelated.

Police are still working to determine what's wrong with the main radio channel and are operating on a secondary channel. The department's phones are also working, police said.

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