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**MARIJUANA BUTANE HASH OIL EXTRACTION LAB EXPLOSION**

RIVERSIDE, CA – On 07/04/16 at approximately 01:11AM, the Riverside Public Safety Communications Center received multiple calls reporting explosions and flames seen from the back yard of a residence in the 3600 block of Castle Reagh Place. The Riverside Police Department and Riverside Fire Department responded to the location to investigate.

After the fire was extinguished, an illegal marijuana butane hash oil (BHO) lab was discovered on the property. It was determined that the BHO lab had exploded, causing the fire which extensively damaged the residence and severely injured the two suspects present.

The suspects were transported to a local area burn center, where they were admitted for treatment of severe burns as a result of the explosions.

Riverside Police Detectives and Riverside Fire Arson Investigators are currently investigating the incident.

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