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From gas ops:

At approximately 11AM this morning, there was a gas-related incident at a residence on 3rd Street, Carmel. The incident caused the home to be destroyed. The home was unoccupied, and there have been no reported injuries as a result of the incident.

At the time of the incident, a PG&E contractor was in the process of replacing a segment of gas main adjacent to the home. They were welding a pressure control fitting on an existing 2" main. It appears that this existing 2" main had been previously inserted with 1 1/4" plastic pipe. While tapping the 2" pressure control fitting a leak occurred on the plastic insert, allowing gas to escape into the annular space between the steel and plastic pipe. Shortly thereafter, ignition of escaping gas occurred at the residence on third street, adjacent to the work site.

Currently, the main where the leak occurred has been disconnected from the system, eliminating the source of escaping gas. Field Services is on site, and has conducted a leak survey of the adjacent homes and neighborhood. There has been no indication of gas escaping at this point. Leak survey of the area is ongoing.