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Structural Fire at the Okaloosa County Department of Corrections

A structural fire has damaged the roof of a pod at the jail facility. It seems the fire began when a torch being used by maintenance crews set fire to the roof they were repairing. Fire crews currently have the fire under control, and 116 inmates as well as security officers were evacuated. There are no injuries.

There were sprinklers in the building, which worked properly; however caused water damage, along with water used to fight the fire. The structure will be uninhabitable until repairs can be made. A full damage assessment will be made by the Okaloosa Facilities Maintenance Department later today.

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