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**YORK COUNTY DEPARTMENT
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York County Fire and Life Safety Responds to Fire in Trash Chute at Tabb Walmart

Just before 1:00 p.m. today, York County Fire and Life Safety personnel were dispatched to a report of a fire at the Tabb Walmart located in the 2600 block of George Washington Memorial Highway (Route 17). Upon arrival, crews were directed to a trash chute located near the rear of the building where they encountered minor smoke and fire. Meanwhile, the remainder of the building was surveyed to ensure there was no smoke or fire inside the store.

The fire was quickly extinguished, and personnel conducted overhaul operations to ensure there was no risk of the fire reigniting. The affected area was also ventilated to clear the smoke.

The building did not require evacuation, and at no time was the public in danger. There were no injuries.

Mutual aid assistance was provided by Newport News Fire Department.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Questions may be directed to the York County Department of Fire and Life Safety at 757-890-3600.



