

Ukrainian Drone Strike Sparks Another Oil Depot Fire in Russia's Rostov Region

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A second oil depot in southern Russia's Rostov region was set on fire within a month following an overnight drone attack by Ukraine, local authorities <u>said</u> early Wednesday.

"A drone attack caused a fire at a fuel depot in the Kamensky district," Rostov region Governor Vasily Golubev said on Telegram, adding that there were no reported deaths or injuries in the strike.

"There's no threat of the fire spreading to residential areas," Golubev said.

Eyewitness videos shared on social media captured bright flames lighting up the night sky. By the morning, a column of thick, black smoke could be seen billowing over the fuel depot.

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Local residents *identified* the site as the state-owned fuel depot Atlas, according to the

Telegram news channel Astra. Earlier <u>reports</u> in Russian media said the depot had supplied fuel to the Russian military during drills.

There was no immediate comment from Russia's Defense Ministry about the attack. In a morning statement, it only said that air defense systems destroyed four drones in the Rostov region overnight.

Wednesday's attack marks the <u>second</u> on the Atlas depot this month, with a previous attack on Aug. 3 also setting oil tanks at the site ablaze.

The latest incident also comes as another state-owned oil facility in the Rostov region continues to burn, 10 days after being <u>targeted</u> by Ukrainian drones.

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