

Fire Ravages Ski Resort

FREDERIC (UPI) — A state fire marshal was called in today to investigate the cause of a blaze that gutted the main lodge at the Twin Peaks ski area near Frederic in northwestern Crawford County.

Firemen battled the blaze Wednesday for more than three hours before putting it out. The building was a total loss, officials said, but a dollar estimate of damage was not immediately available.

Authorities said the lodge was rebuilt several years ago following a major fire but never reopened.

The area has been used more by snowmobilers than skiers in recent years.