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Fire destroys shed at Oakland County ski resort

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All ski hills at Alpine Valley Ski Area are expected to be open this season after a fire Saturday destroyed a shed housing \$80,000 in chairlift equipment.

"We're going to be up and running," Alpine's manager, Kevin Schons, said today. "It's just a little setback for us. We're going to keep moving forward."

He said all electric is off to the sites' hills, including the shed housing electrical components for the four-main chairlift on the Everest hill.

White Lake Township Fire Department Lt. Jim Thompson said today the 15-foot by 20-foot shed burned to the ground during the 3:40 p.m. fire at 6775 Highland Road.

The department requested the assistance of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office accelerant-detecting arson dog.
