

## Exercise Planning Meeting Notes – 2/12/2017

**Location:** Oak (on Beacon Hill). Feedback was the place was nice, but far too loud for a meeting location.

**Attendance:** Amrita (representing MST/PHRC), Bill T., Cindi B. (representing hubs), Frank M., Mark S., Stan T., Tim H. and Jessica C.

Thanks to those who came out to the first exercise planning meeting of the year. The Fifth Saturday Drill on April 29<sup>th</sup> is approaching fast and we have work to do!

The following is a list of **stuff to get done**. I need volunteers! Are YOU interested??? Email Jessica, [jsroder@gmail.com](mailto:jsroder@gmail.com)

1. People to scout locations and bring their portable HF station out and set it up in the field. Looking for two stations – one north, one south – and a little presentation to talk about your equipment and safety. *INTERESTED??? Email Jessica.*
2. Sector team leaders to head up field teams at sector locations during the drill. You only need portable UHF/VHF equipment for this. Also looking for permanent people within each sector who want to take on the sector lead role. Many people in each sector are needed to organize and recruit people. *INTERESTED??? Email Jessica.*
3. Write injects for three groups: from the simulated EOC; to the sector teams; from the field teams. I have a pile of messages from previous drills plus contributions from Cindi B, so this job is more about adapting and compiling information than having to come up with a bunch of new info. *INTERESTED??? Email Jessica.*
4. Contact (email and message groups) other local emcomm stations and arrange contacts for the April and other future drills. Some lists are available to start with, plus some additional research and outreach to clubs and organizations. *INTERESTED??? Email Jessica.*

Some **additional notes** from the meeting:

1. Ideas for sector activities during the drills:

- Damage assessment in real time. Fill out the damage assessment form and send in as messages from the field.
- Antenna deployment, safety, and portable stations workshops.
- Limit available resources. For example, what happens when no repeaters are available?
- How do hubs and sectors get in touch? Practice deployment to find out if hub locations are active. What to do when a hub volunteer comes to you.

2. Tim, WT1IM, has volunteered to work on press releases and our twitter feed. YAY!!! Jessica will be in touch with Tim for more info.

3. We would like to involve MST in our drills. What are ways they want to be involved? More to come on that.

**Next meeting:** March 12<sup>th</sup> @ Cindi B's house. Email [jsroder@gmail.com](mailto:jsroder@gmail.com) for directions.