

# 2016 Communications Outage, *Packet Edition* – Drill Prep

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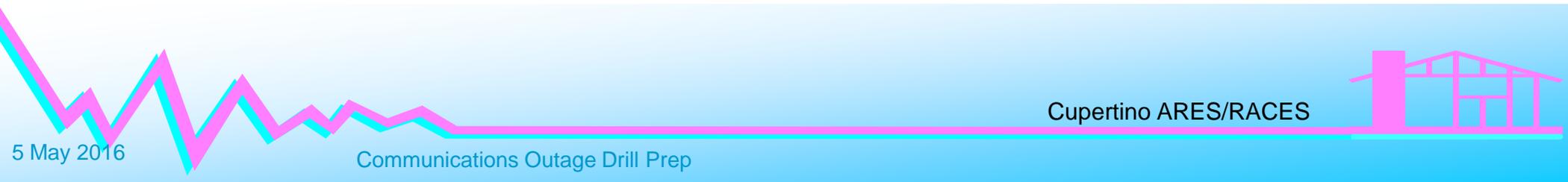
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# Agenda

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1. Drill introduction – what's the plan?
2. Deploying packet for 911 message handling

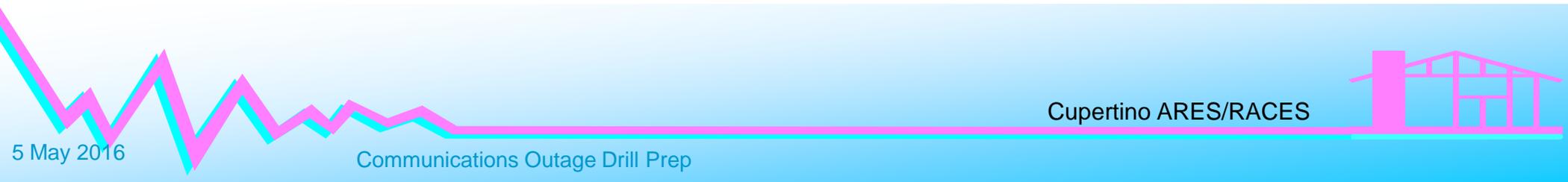


# 2015 Communications Outage Drill

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**\*\*\* THIS IS DRILL TRAFFIC \*\***

Power is out throughout the City; there is a risk that residential communications will be out within 2 days.



# What does the City need? (an assumption)

## Communications Outage Scenario

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### If the power went out and local communications failed...

What they need	What it includes	How do they get it
<b>Understand the situation outside the city</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commercial power status</li><li>• State of telecommunications systems</li><li>• Mitigation plans</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• County OES briefings</li><li>• National commercial news outlets</li></ul>
<b>Know about conditions in Cupertino</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Traffic conditions on city streets</li><li>• State of city responders and resources</li><li>• Shelter status, evacuations</li><li>• Community welfare</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• County Sheriff &amp; Fire</li><li>• City Staff and Citizen Corps</li><li>• Reports and help requests from the community</li></ul>

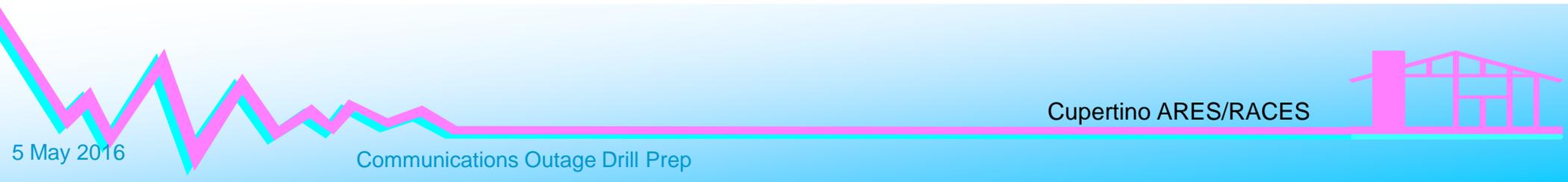


# CARES Response – what we generally do

## Communications Outage Scenario

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1. Preliminary Safety Assessment	CARES collects and reports information about the state of the city immediately after a city-wide emergency or disaster occurred.
2. Field Response	CARES members respond and operate at field assignments during a declared emergency.
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4. EOC Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Staff the Comm Van / Radio Room</li><li>• Provide situation roll-up of field reports</li><li>• Support the EOC</li></ul>

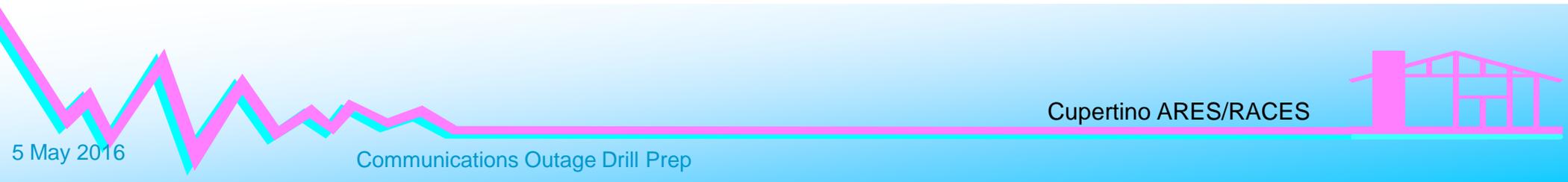


# CARES Response – what we specifically will do

## Communications Outage Scenario

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1. Preliminary Safety Assessment	CARES collects and reports information about the state of the city immediately after a city-wide emergency or disaster occurred.
2. Field Response	CARES members respond and operate at field assignments with CCC during a declared emergency. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Information Outreach</li><li>• Community Emergency Assistance Request Intake</li></ul>
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# Communications Outage Drill Introduction

## Overview

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This is a repeat exercise of the Comm Outage exercise executed in November 2015, EXCEPT we will use Packet Radio to pass 9-1-1 reports from the field to County Comm.

## Objectives

1. Exercise 9-1-1 packet message passing procedures.
2. Exercise message passing and message net procedures.
3. Exercise the amateur radio packet equipment at the SCC Fire Stations located in the City.
4. Exercise full end to end (Field to Dispatch) emergency packet message delivery.
5. Exercise Comm Van to DOC information handoffs.



# Communications Outage Drill Introduction

## Overview

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### Concept

This will be a functional exercise based on a communications outage event that directly impacts the City and the bay area.

1. The Exercise will occur over a 4 hour period on Saturday May 7, 2016.
2. The City EOC will be activated with minimal (if any) City staff to receive and originate simulated traffic, log situation status, and oversee the response. The CCC DOC will simulate the EOC response as necessary.
3. Field responders will deploy to County Fire Stations, specific ARKs, and strategic locations throughout the city.
4. Field locations will operate packet off the grid – only generator or battery.
5. Assignments are made based on the CARES response model, resource availability, and location priority.



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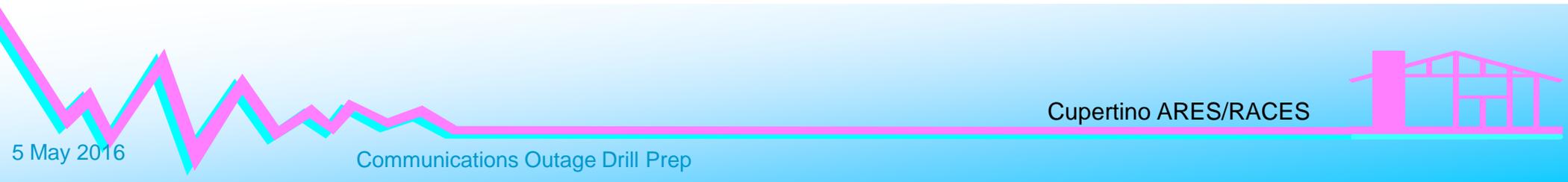
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### Concept

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6. Because of the number of field positions that need to be staffed, CERT responders or non-CARES Buddies will be actively promoted.
7. Field message traffic will be based on timed scripted messages and simulated interactions with other responders.
8. Drill 9-1-1 traffic will be originated in the field and sent by packet to SCC dispatch.



# Communications Outage Drill Introduction

## Overview

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### Artificialities

1. Wired, cell phones, SMS, and the internet are not working. No 9-1-1 service. Satellite Phones are working, but no into-the-bay area calling.
2. Power is out throughout the city. The EOC is (simulated) running on emergency generator power. County Fire Stations are (simulated) running on generator power.
3. Cupertino EOC is partially staffed.
4. County EOC is activated.
5. A County Comm packet station is operational.

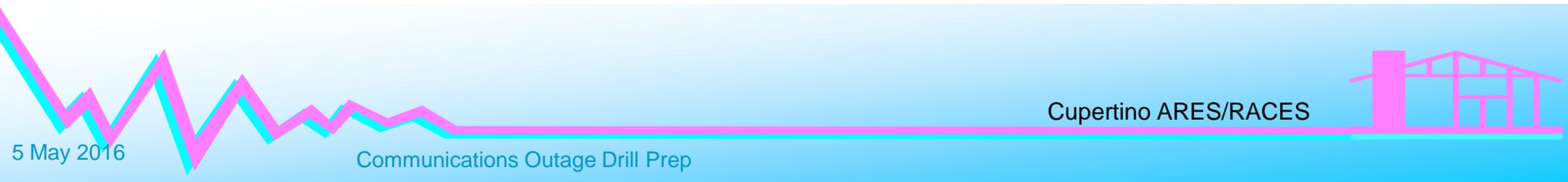
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### Assumptions

1. We respond with our current state of readiness and with whoever shows up.
2. Weather is current conditions. The drill will be postponed in the event of rain.
3. All information in the narrative is considered valid.
4. We don't have all the answers.
5. This exercise in no way attempts to portray actual or anticipated events.



# Communications Outage Drill Introduction

## Overview

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### Communications

1. FRS will be used as needed.
2. A City Trunk Radio test will be performed.
3. Standard County Packet Frequencies will be used to pass simulated emergency 9-1-1 traffic necessary to initiate a simulated Dispatch.
4. CARES will operate on its Resource and Message Net frequencies per the CARES frequency plan listed in the SOP.
5. Comm Van responds to the EOC and supports the EOC with communications contact with all field units.
6. We will bring up the LAN between the Comm Van and the DOC.
7. All radio communications – both voice and packet – will be followed by the phrase "THIS IS DRILL TRAFFIC".



# Communications Outage Drill

## The Plan

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### The Plan

1. Deploy Field Teams (CARES and CERT) into the field to take assistance requests from residents; pass message to either the Cupertino EOC or 911 messages to County Comm.
2. Each Field Team needs to bring...
  1. Standard ICS Forms – ICS 213, ICS 214, ICS 309
  2. Field Manuals:  
*CARES Field Communications Handbook* (version 2016.01)  
*CARES Packet Radio Users Guide* (version 2016.01)
3. Additionally ...
  1. Equipment to operate packet
  2. Small table and chairs
  3. Sufficient power to support your equipment



# Possible Communications Assignments

## Communications Outage Scenario

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### Field Assignments

1. **Public Information Outreach** locations
  - key intersections and/or popular gathering places throughout the City
  - ARKs, Fire Stations
2. **Community Emergency Assistance Request** stations
  - popular gathering places and key intersections throughout the City
  - ARKs, Fire Stations
3. 911 Message Intake
4. Others?

### EOC Assignments

1. Comm Van: 1 SS, 1 RRO, 1 Message NCS
2. Situation Status

### DOC

1. DOC staff



# Public Information Outreach – what is it?

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## ***definition: Public Information Outreach***

1. A field assignment where Citizens Corps disseminates information to the community. This information may include:
  - Status of the event or emergency
  - Where residents can go for help or assistance
  - Information on things the community can do now to cope with the emergency
2. Information may originate from the EOC or from observations originated by the local Incident Command Post staff.
3. Once available, the information is printed (if arrived by packet) or written down (if arrived by voice), and then posted on the public information board.



# Public Information Outreach

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## Creating CCC Field Operations teams

- Each team will consist of one of the following:

### Role of CARES

- Manages all communications with the EOC and other stations.
- Receives voice or packet messages from the EOC or served agencies.
- For Packet messages, prints the message for posting.
- For Voice messages, creates a legible message for posting (could be a shared task with CERT depending on your handwriting).

### Role of CERT

- Public facing member of the team.
- Maintains the accuracy and freshness of messages posted at the information booth.



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### Field References

Name	Description, Content
Field Communications Operations Handbook Manual   Booklet, Jan 2016	PDF, This Handbook is a compilation of several SOP areas as well as key procedure training. This handbook should be carried by all CARES members. <b>Note:</b> The <i>Booklet</i> file is formatted to create a 5½" x 8½" booklet when printed with a 2 sided printer. See the <a href="#">printing instructions</a> here.
Packet Radio Users Guide Manual   Booklet, Jan 2016	PDF, This Handbook introduces packet radio, the CARES Packet Kits, and procedures for creating, sending, and receiving packet messages. <b>Note:</b> The <i>Booklet</i> file is formatted to create a 5½" x 8½" booklet when printed with a 2 sided printer. See the <a href="#">printing instructions</a> here.
Comm Van Reference Manual   Booklet, Dec 2015	PDF, This manual covers most information and procedures needed to deploy and operate the communications van. The intended user is the Van Supervisor and Van Sups-in-Training. <b>Note:</b> The <i>Booklet</i> file is formatted to create a 5½" x 8½" booklet when printed with a 2 sided printer. See the <a href="#">printing instructions</a> here.
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### Upcoming Activities

**5 May 2016, General Meeting**  
Packet as part of a field deployment, Drill Prep, 7:30pm to 9:00pm, EOC, City Hall

**7 May 2016, Comm Outage Exercise**  
This is a repeat of our Nov 2015 drill, but will do it again by Packet. 8:00am - 12:00pm  
[More Details...](#)

**2 Jun 2016, General Meeting**  
Comm Outage exercise followup and Field Day Prep. 7:30pm to 9:00pm, EOC, City Hall

**25 Jun 2016, Field Day**  
a.k.a. "Emergency Field Comms Drill," includes HF operations, demos, and community outreach. 8:00am to 5:00pm, Torre Ave between City Hall and the Library.

**10 Sep 2016, Silicon Valley Fall Festival**  
9:00a to 5:00p, Memorial Park

# Communications Field References

## 2016.01 Field Communications Operations Handbook Cupertino ARES/RACES



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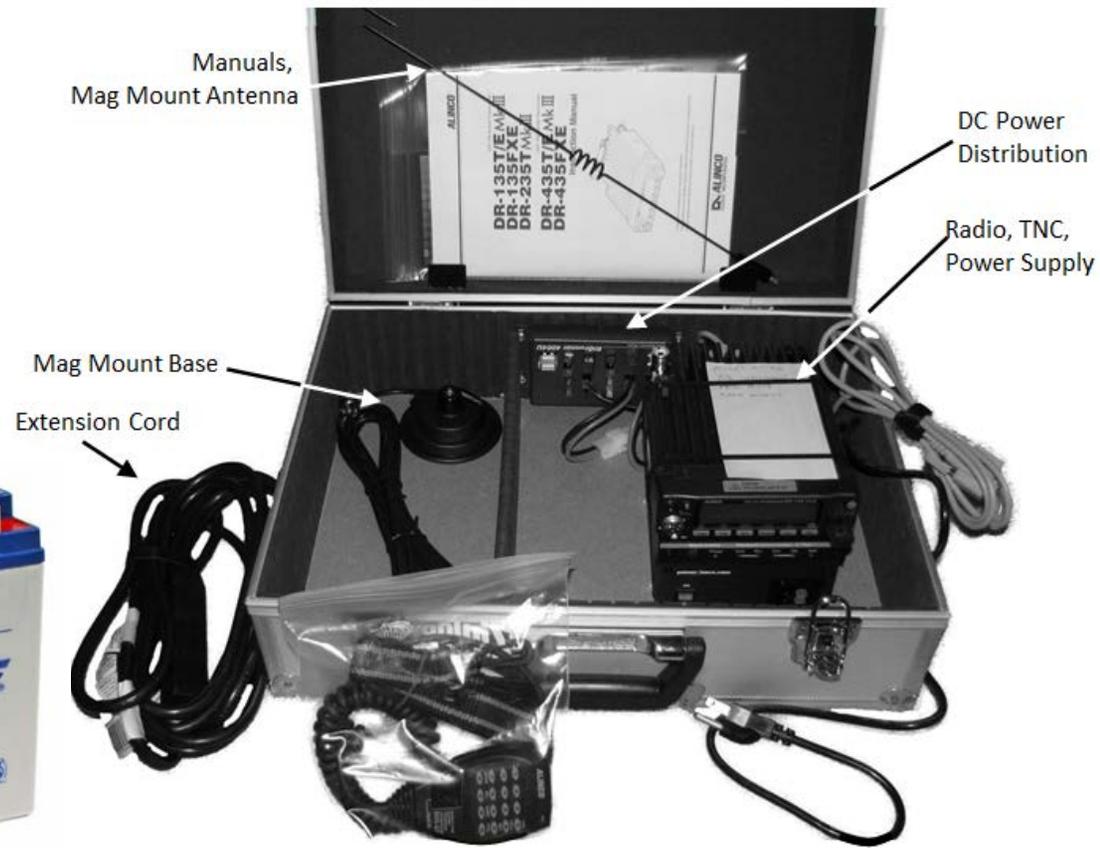


# Your Field Office

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# Power and Packet



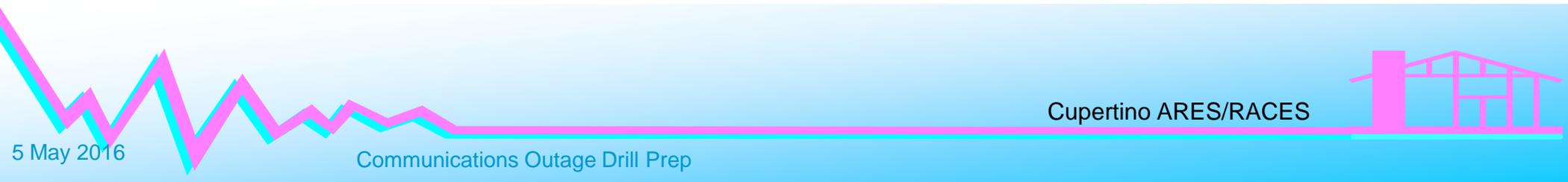
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3. Each Field Team will...
  - a. be assigned a packet station Tactical Call and Message Identifier.
  - b. receive a scenario sheet describing encounters with the community that require a message to be sent.
  - c. pass 9-1-1 traffic by Packet to County Comm.
  - d. pass non-emergency community requests to the Cupertino EOC by voice or packet.
  - e. pass field status reports by Packet to the Cupertino EOC.



# Planned Field Assignments

Where will you be?

## Voice Tactical Call

### Public Sites

Senior Center  
 Blackberry Farm  
 Cali Mill Plaza  
 U.S. Post Office  
 Sears Parking Lot  
 Main Street  
 City Hall

### ARK Sites

Hyde ARK  
 Garden Gate ARK  
 De Anza ARK  
 Monta Vista ARK

### SCC Fire Stations

Cupertino Station  
 Seven Springs Station  
 Monta Vista Station

## Packet Tac Call

CUPSEN  
 CUPBBF  
 CUP001  
 CUP002  
 CUP003  
 CUP004  
 CUP005

CUPHYA  
 CUPGGA  
 CUPDZA  
 CUPMVA

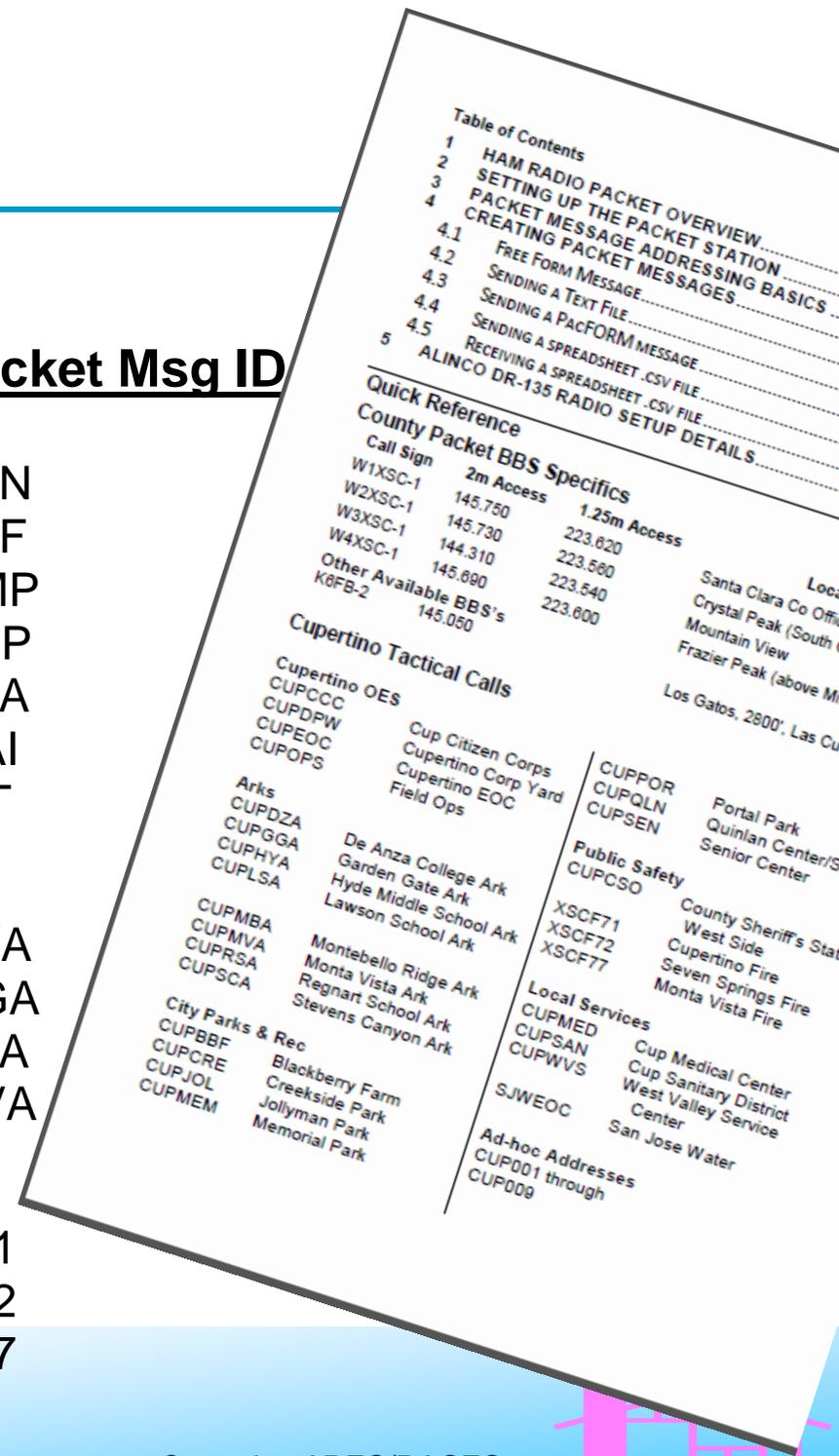
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 XSCF72  
 XSCF77

## Packet Msg ID

SEN  
 BBF  
 CMP  
 USP  
 SEA  
 MAI  
 CIT

HYA  
 GGA  
 DZA  
 MVA

F71  
 F72  
 F77



# Outpost tactical call setup

## Planned Field Assignments

1. From Outpost, select  
Setup > Identification
2. Enter your call sign and name
3.  Check the Use Tactical Call box
4. Fill in the rest of the fields...

### Voice Tactical Call

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CUP005

### Packet Msg ID

SEN  
BBF  
CMP  
USP  
SEA  
**MAI**  
CIT

#### ARK Sites

Hyde ARK  
Garden Gate ARK  
De Anza ARK  
Monta Vista ARK

CUPHYA  
CUPGGA  
CUPDZA  
CUPMVA

HYA  
GGA  
DZA  
MVA

#### SCC Fire Stations

Cupertino Station

XSCF71

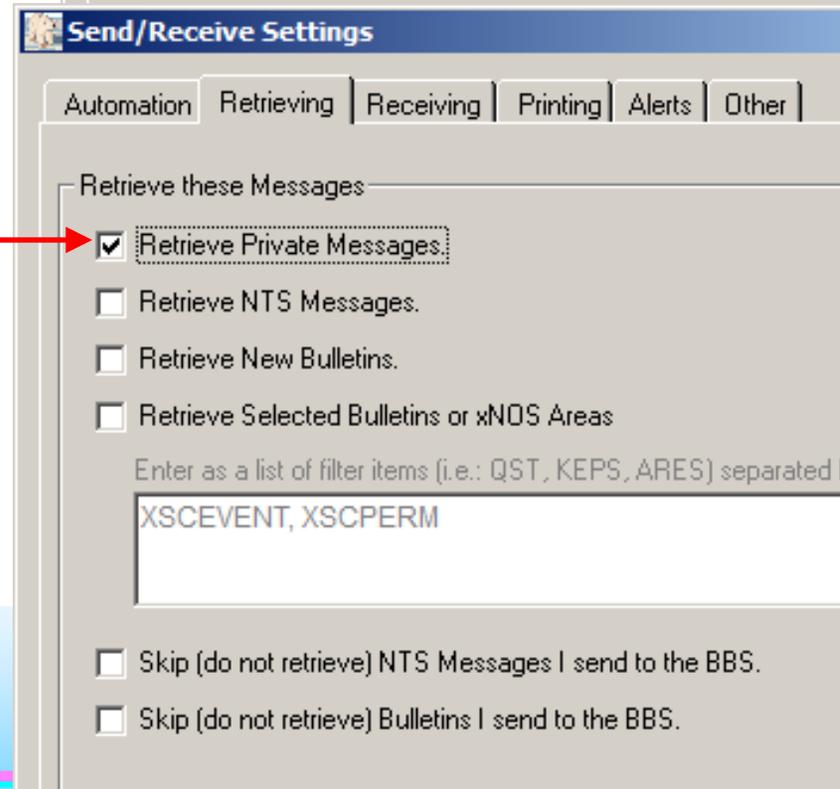
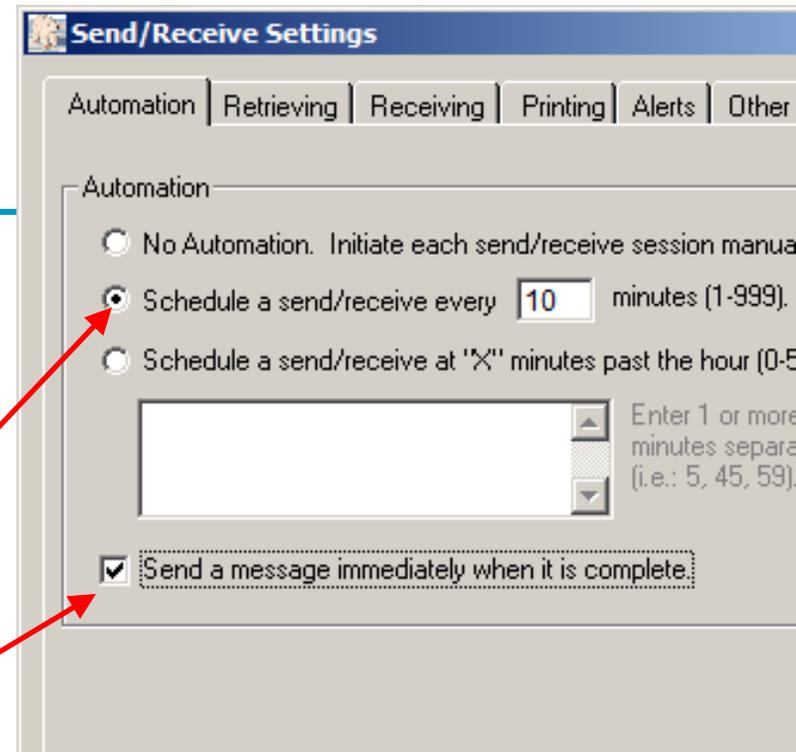
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# Outpost Send/Receive setup

1. From Outpost, select  
Tools > Send/Receive Settings
2. Select the **Automation** tab,  
Set up the following 2 options:
  - ☉ **Scheduled send/receive every 10 minutes**
  - Send a message immediately when it is complete**
3. Select the **Retrieving** tab,  
Check the following option, and uncheck all others
  - Retrieve Private Messages**
4. Press **Save** when done.



# Scenario Sheets

For situations you encounter...

- For each assignment, you will receive a scenario sheet with about 8 situations that describe something you see, hear, or someone you encounter.
- At least half of them will be 9-1-1 messages.
- The rest will be messages for the EOC.
- At the appropriate time, read the next scenario and define how you will handle it.

## Drill Scenario



The following is provided as general information for your consideration during this drill.

Location	Post Office Parking Lot, Stevens Creek
General Situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It's another cool morning. With no electric heat in many homes, there is a haze hanging over the valley from many homes using their wood burning fireplaces to stay warm.</li> <li>• You checked your home phone and cell phone before you left home... no dial tone.</li> <li>• You heard KCBS on the air on the drive over, and they reported that most of northern California is still in the dark, and now telephone service has been the latest casualty from this incredible blackout that has plagued the west coast.</li> <li>• Radio Cupertino 1670 is on the air and letting residents know what to do if they need to request help. This is where you come in.</li> </ul>
Weather:	Weather is current conditions at the time of the drill.

The following are the things you observe on your arrival at your assignment. These are things you see and interactions that you have with the people around you.

INSTRUCTIONS: Write the time you arrived in the blanks below, and pass the message at the appropriate time.

Local Situation on your arrival... this is what you observe.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The parking lot is empty, and not a lot of traffic on the street.</li> <li>• You check the front door and the post office is open, but it is cold inside.</li> <li>• You see a postal worker and introduce yourself to Dave Richards, letting him know what you will be doing. Dave is relieved and expressed some anxiety about not having any telephone contact with anyone.</li> </ul> <p>Tactical Call: <b>POST OFFICE</b>            Packet Tactical Call: <b>CUP002</b>            Packet Message ID: <b>USP</b></p>
Instructions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up your radio station.</li> <li>• Simulate placing the "Emergency Communications Here" A-Frame sign out on the street.</li> </ul>
_____ + 5 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When you are all set up, create a brief message letting the EOC know your situation.</li> </ul>
_____ +20 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A woman screeches the brakes on her car on Stevens Creek, and U-turns into your parking lot. You ask her what is she reporting:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Two males trying to break into a neighbor's house on 145 Majestic Way. Her name is Shreya Rajkumar 408-365-5545.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Create a message and pass this traffic as a 911 report.</li> </ul>
_____ +35 minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A gasoline truck driver stops and lets you know he has plenty of fuel, but is not getting any calls for refills. If he can help, he's available.</li> </ul>



# Public Emergency Information Intake

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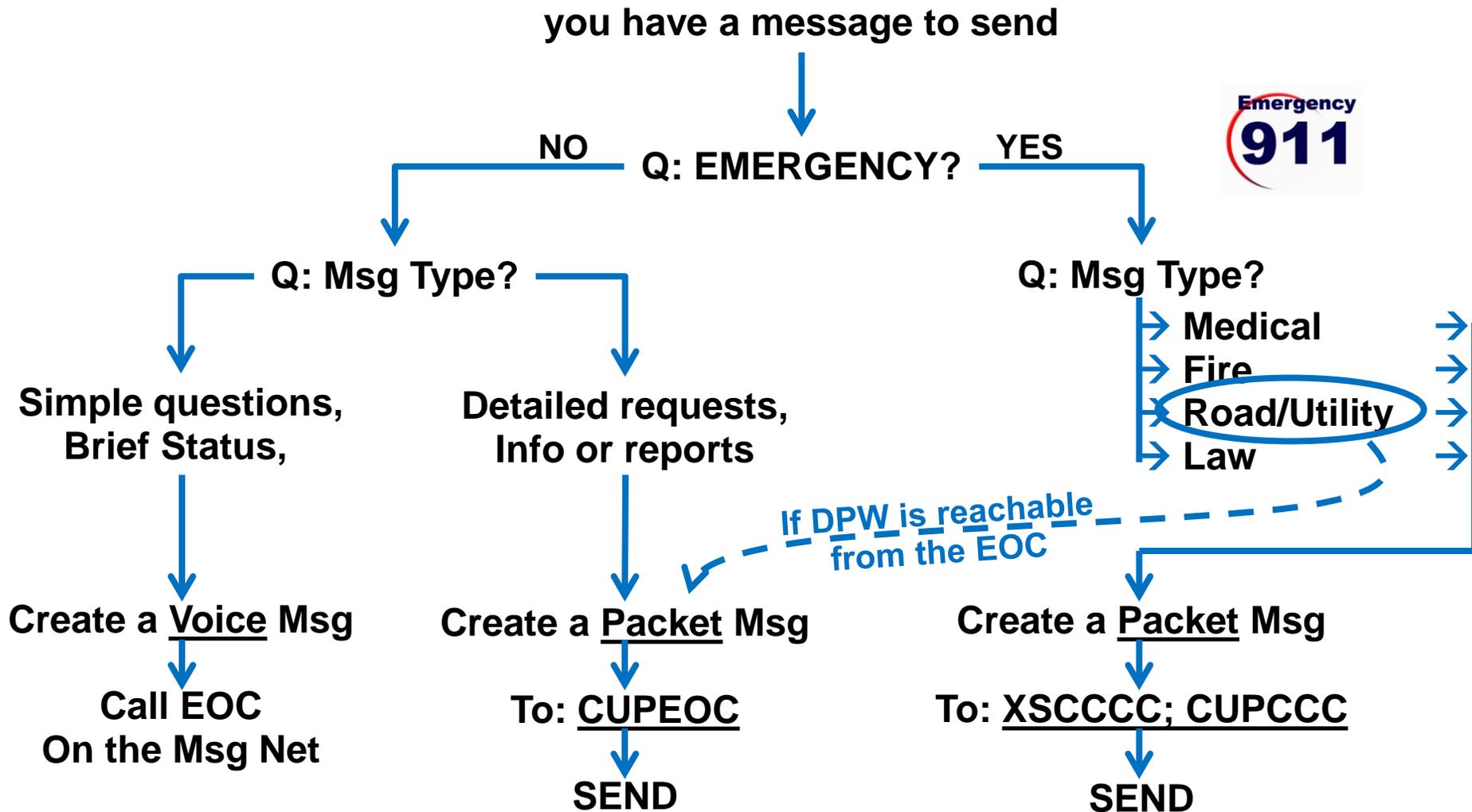
## How will we handle a 911-like call?

1. Determine if this is really an emergency message.
  - If this is a real emergency (medical, fire, law), then pass as a 911 message to County Comm
  - If this is a non-emergency request, question, or information, then pass it to the EOC
2. Pass enough information for 911/County Comm to create an actionable and dispatch-able event.
3. Use the standard ICS-213 message form to record all information from the Reporting Person (RP). Ask for specifics as necessary.
4. Tell the RP to return to their home (or wherever) to wait for assistance to arrive if appropriate.



# For Situations you scenario

Which message goes where?



Bottom Line: Use your Judgement

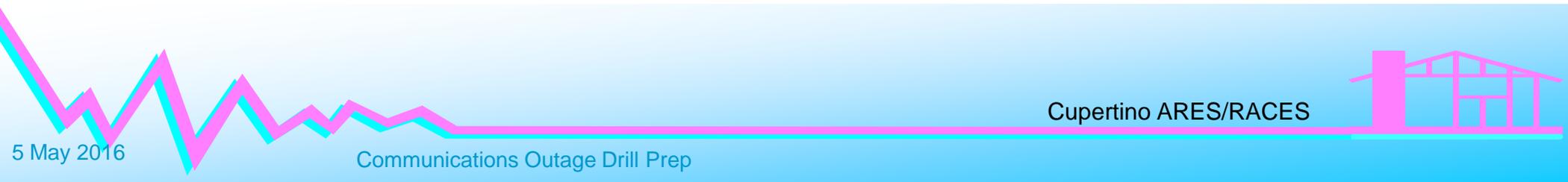


# 911 and Packet Operations

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## What's involved?

1. Ask the right questions
2. Gather the right information
3. Create the message
4. Get it addressed to the right place
5. Send it!



# Is this an Emergency?

## Canned Message List for PSAPs\*

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### ***First Canned Questions***

- 9-1-1, What is the address of your emergency?
- What City?
- What is your Emergency?
- What is your Phone Number?
- What is your Name?
- What is happening now?

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\* From NENA – National Emergency Number Association (the 9-1-1 Association)

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# Is this an Emergency?

## Canned Message List for PSAPs

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### ***Instructional Canned Statements***

- Please use full, simple words (text-to-911, not in SCC)
- Do not use abbreviations (text-to-911, not in SCC)
- Do not Text and drive, please pull over (text-to-911, not in SCC)
- Get out now!
- Wait outside for First Responders
- Please wait, you are being transferred
- Stay calm, help is on the way
- Please call our non-emergency number to report this non-emergency (XXX)XXX-XXXX
- Secure or put away your animals
- Unlock the door
- Turn the outside light on



# Is this an Emergency?

## Canned Message List for PSAPs

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### ***Subsequent Canned Questions***

- Are you driving?
- Are you traveling on foot?
- Are you on public transportation?
- Are you in a vehicle?
- Location of suspect?
- Are there any weapons?
- Is anyone hurt?
- What does the person look like?
- What are they wearing?
- What is the nature of the injuries?
- Is the person breathing?
- Is the person awake?
- How old is the person?
- What kind of house?
- Where is the fire?
- What floor is on fire?
- Are there any people inside?
- Do you need the Police?
- Do you need Fire Trucks?
- Do you need an Ambulance?
- Do you have any further information, or need additional help?
- An ambulance will be dispatched.
- A fire/rescue crew will be dispatched.
- Law enforcement will be dispatched.



# Is this an Emergency? ... Yes

What does 911/County Comm minimally need to know?

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## What is your emergency?

### Medical Assistance

1. Age: How old is the person?
2. Gender: Male or Female
3. Medical problem (difficulty breathing, unconscious, severe bleeding, etc.)
4. *How long ago did you see the person? (hours, minutes)*
5. *Location (address)*
6. *Reporting Person's (RP) name, contact phone number*



# Public Emergency Information Intake

## Medical Emergency – Write it down

1. Incident Name (Optional):	Priority (E, U, R): <b>E</b>	Message No:
2. To (Name and Position):	<b>9 1 1</b>	
3. From (Name and Position):	<b>Post Office</b>	
4. Subject: <b>Medical Emergency</b>	5. Date: <b>5/7/2016</b>	6. Time: <b>9:34am</b>
7. Message: <b><u>84 year old male with chest pains.</u></b> <b><u>He is conscious and talking, saw him 10 minutes ago.</u></b> <b><u>Address is 10061 Adriana Avenue, Cupertino</u></b>  <b><u>RP: Anna Smith, 408-252-7310</u></b>		
8. Approved by: Name	<b>Jim KN6PE</b>	Signature: _____ Position/Title:
9. Reply:		
10. Replied by: Name	Signature: _____	Position/Title:
<b>COES 213</b>	Date/Time:	

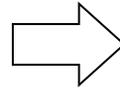
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# Addressing a message

## Embedding a voice message into packet

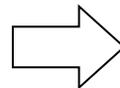
We want to “embed” this message into a packet message with additional addressing information



**From: Post Office, Cupertino**  
**To: 911/County Comm**  
**Subj: Medical Emergency**

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**BBS: W1XSC-1**  
**From: CUP002**  
**To: XSCCCC; CUPCCC**  
**Subj: USP-043P: Medical Emergency**

**From: Post Office, Cupertino**  
**To: 911/County Comm**

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# Creating the packet message

Enter it into a new message form

1. Incident Name (Optional):	Priority (E, U, N):
2. To (Name and Position): <b>9 1 1</b>	<b>E</b>
3. From (Name and Position): <b>Post Office</b>	
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8. Approved by: Name <b>Jim KN6PE</b> Signature: _____ Position/	
9. Reply:	
10. Replied by: Name _____ Signature: _____ Position/	
<b>COES 213</b>	Date/Time:

**New Packet Message**

File Edit Actions Window Help

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Urgent, Private Message

Bbs: **W1XSC-1**

From: **CUP002**

To...

Subject: **USP-043P:**

From Outpost,  
1. Press **New** to start a new message



# Creating the packet message

Enter it into a new message form

Enter the Address for County Comm & CCC

Enter the subject after the Message ID

Create the Message FROM and TO Text

Type in the Message

Press the URGent button

When done,

1. Press **Send** on this form

The screenshot shows a 'New Packet Message' window with a menu bar (File, Edit, Actions, Window, Help) and a toolbar (Send, Print, Save, Delete, Close, Urg, Pvt, Bul, NTS). The 'Urg' button is highlighted with a red arrow. The form fields are: Bbs: W1XSC-1, From: CUP002, To...: XSCCCC; CUPCCC, Subject: USP-043P: Medical Emergency. The message body contains: FROM: Post Office, Cupertino; TO: 911/County Comm; 84 year old male with chest pains. He is conscious and talking, saw him 10 minutes ago. 10061 Adriana Avenue, Cupertino; RP: Anna Smith, 408-252-7310; and \*\*\* THIS IS DRILL TRAFFIC \*\*\*. Red arrows point from the text annotations to the corresponding fields and buttons in the form.



# Is this an Emergency? ... Yes

What does 911/County Comm minimally need to know?

## What is your emergency?

### Fire Report

1. What is burning (Car, building, etc.)
2. Are there any people inside?
3. What is happening now (everyone is safe/trapped, heavy smoke, etc.)
4. *How long ago were you at the fire? (hours, minutes)*
5. *Location (address)*
6. *Reporting Person's (RP) name, contact phone number*



# Public Emergency Information Intake

## Report of a Fire – Write it down

1. Incident Name (Optional):		Priority (E, U, R): <b>U</b>	Message No:
2. To (Name and Position):		<b>9 1 1</b>	
3. From (Name and Position):		<b>Sears Parking Lot</b>	
4. Subject: <b>Truck Fire</b>		5. Date: <b>5/7/2016</b>	6. Time: <b>10:50am</b>
7. Message: <b><u>Truck Fire on Stevens Creek Blvd, East Bound.</u></b> <b><u>Closest cross street: East Estates Drive.</u></b> <b><u>No injuries. 2 right lanes are blocked as of 5 minutes ago.</u></b>  <b><u>RP: Linda Ying, 408-263-8421</u></b>			
8. Approved by: Name		Signature: _____	Position/Title:
<b>Jim KN6PE</b>			
9. Reply:			
10. Replied by: Name		Signature: _____	Position/Title:
<b>COES 213</b>		Date/Time:	

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# Is this an Emergency? ... Yes

What does 911/County Comm minimally need to know?

## What is your emergency?

### Law Report

1. Type of problem (suspicious person, fight, accident, break-in, etc.)
2. What is happening now (suspicious car on street, heard broken glass, etc.)
3. *How long ago did you observe this situation (hours, minutes)*
4. *Location (address)*
5. *Reporting Person's (RP) name, contact phone number*



# Public Emergency Information Intake

## Public Disturbance – Write it down

1. Incident Name (Optional):	Priority (E, U, R): <b>U</b>	Message No:
2. To (Name and Position):	<b>9 1 1</b>	
3. From (Name and Position):	<b>Main Street</b>	
4. Subject: <b>Public Disturbance</b>	5. Date: <b>5/7/2016</b>	6. Time: <b>11:15am</b>
7. Message: <b><u>Fight at Brewski's Bar and Grill.</u></b> <b><u>4 males involved, observed 10 minutes ago</u></b> <b><u>Address is 19359 Stevens Creek Blvd.</u></b>  <b><u>RP: Harry Doyle, 408-274-9532</u></b>		
8. Approved by: Name	<b>Jim KN6PE</b>	Signature: _____ Position/Title:
9. Reply:		
10. Replied by: Name	Signature: _____	Position/Title:
<b>COES 213</b>	Date/Time:	

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Enter the Address for County Comm & CCC

Enter the subject after the Message ID

Create the Message FROM and TO Text

Enter in the Message

Press the URGent button

When done,

1. Press **Send** on this form

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- Bbs: W1XSC-1 (Preloaded)
- From: CUP004 (Preloaded)
- To...: XSCCCC; CUPCCC (Enter the Address for County Comm & CCC)
- Subject: MAI-002P: Public Disturbance (Enter the subject after the Message ID)

The message body contains:

FROM: Main Street, Cupertino  
TO: 911/County Comm

Fight at Brewski's Bar and Grill.  
4 males involved, observed 10 minutes ago.  
Address is 19359 Stevens Creek Blvd.

RP: Harry Doyle, 408-274-9532

\*\*\* THIS IS DRILL TRAFFIC \*\*\*

The 'Urg' button is also pointed to by a red arrow from the text 'Press the URGent button'.



# Is this an Emergency? ... Yes

What does 911/County Comm minimally need to know?

## What is your emergency?

### Road, Utility Report

1. Type of problem (tree/pole down, water main break, etc.)
2. What is happening now (road is blocked, power line arcing, street flooding, etc.)
3. *How long ago did you observe this problem (hours, minutes)*
4. *Location (address, cross-street)*
5. *Reporting Person's (RP) name, contact phone number*



# Public Emergency Information Intake

Road, Access, Utility problem – Write it down

1. Incident Name (Optional):		Priority (E, U, R): <b>U</b>	Message No:
2. To (Name and Position): <b>EOC</b>			
3. From (Name and Position): <b>Senior Center</b>			
4. Subject: <b>Tree Down</b>		5. Date: <b>5/7/2016</b>	6. Time: <b>12:03am</b>
7. Message: <b><u>Tree down and blocking the street</u></b> <b>in front of <u>7706 Orogrande Place, Cupertino.</u></b> <b><u>One lane of traffic open. Observed 15 minutes ago.</u></b>  <b>RP: <u>Al Foster, 408-749-5323</u></b>			
8. Approved by: Name <b>Jim KN6PE</b> Signature: _____ Position/Title:			
9. Reply:			
10. Replied by: Name _____ Signature: _____ Position/Title:			
<b>COES 213</b>		Date/Time:	

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Is the EOC in contact with Public Works?

- If YES – Send this msg to CUPEOC
- If NO – Send this msg to XSCCCC (911/County Comm)

Enter the Address for Cupertino EOC

Enter the subject after the Message ID

Create the Message FROM and TO Text

Enter in the Message

Press the URGeM button

When done,

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Bbs: W1XSC-1  
From: CUPSEN  
To...: CUPEOC  
Subject: SEN-011P: Tree Down

The message body contains the following text:

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FROM: Senior Center, Cupertino  
TO: Public Works/Cupertino EOC  
  
Tree down and blocking the street  
in front of 7706 Orogrande Place, Cupertino.  
One lane of traffic open. Observed 15 minutes ago.  
  
RP: Al Foster, 408-749-5323  
  
*** THIS IS DRILL TRAFFIC ***
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Red annotations include arrows pointing to the 'Urg' button, the 'To...' field, the 'Subject' field, the message body, and the 'Urg' button again. A red bracket groups the message body text.



# Timeline

## Communications Outage Scenario

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### Friday, 6 May

- 3:00pm – A joint press conference was held with County OES, PG&E, and several telephone/internet carriers. Digital phone service will run down tonight. At that point, home phone service for a most of the County will be out.
- 4:00pm – The City Manager requested CARES and CERT to activate Saturday if they wake up to no telephone service at home. The request is to do the following:
  1. Set up communications outreach points throughout the City to receive and report on any resident requests for help.
  2. Support the EOC with the CCC DOC.
- 4:15pm – A CAS message is sent to all CARES members with these instructions:
  - i. CARES & CERT is activated Saturday morning under “CUP-16-40T”
  - ii. Available responders are to report to the EOC Saturday morning at 8:00am for a briefing and assignments.
  - iii. the Resource Net will be activated at 7:30am to track responders to the EOC.



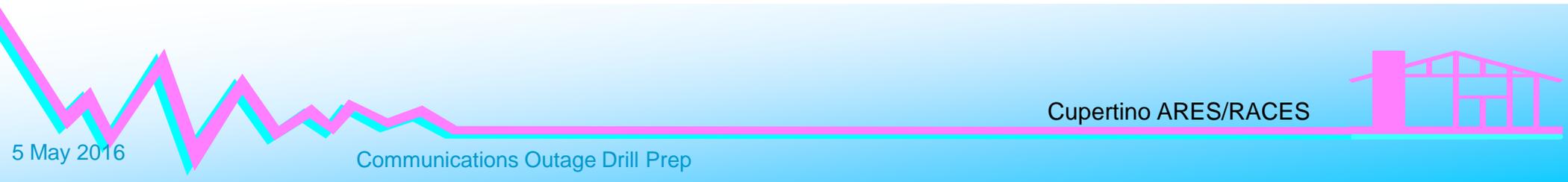
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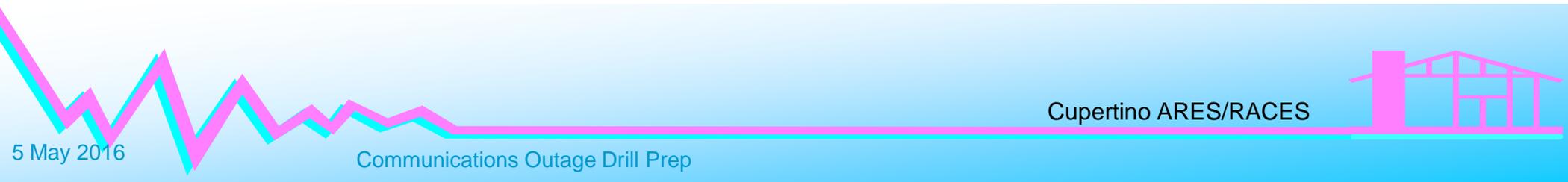
### Saturday, 7 May

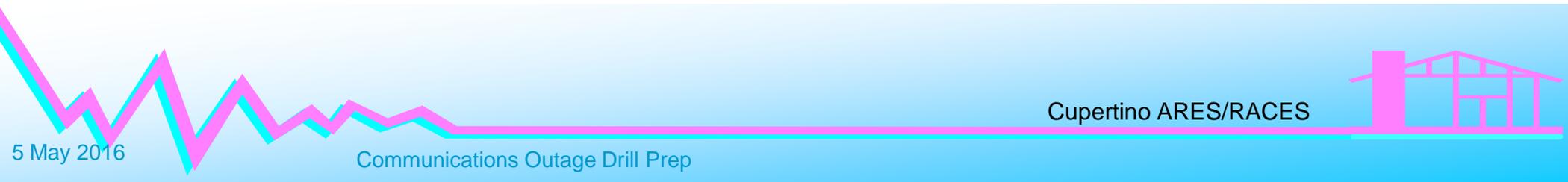
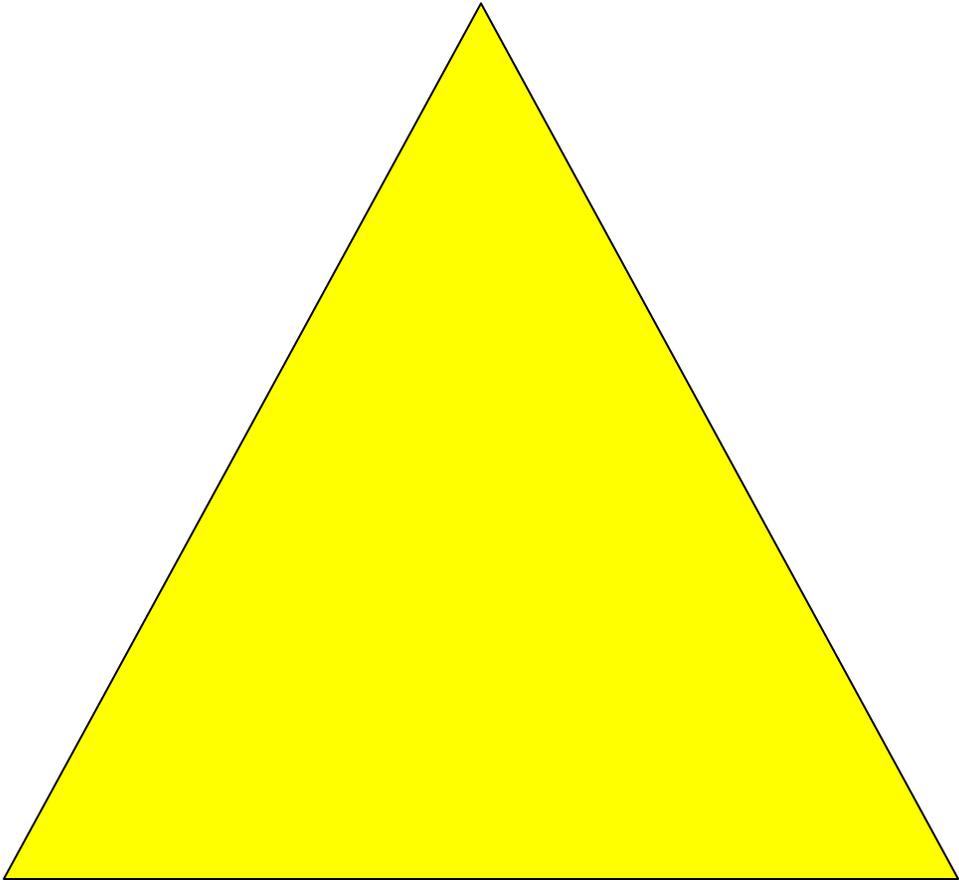
- 0700 911 packet station operational.
- 0730 Comm Van at EOC
- 0745 Sign in at the EOC.
- 0800 Safety Briefing, make Field Assignments
- 0900 All field responders at their posts.
- 1100 Secure field operations, travel back to the EOC for debrief.
- 1130 Hold debrief.
- 1230 End of the Event.



# Questions

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