

ICS Form 201

INCIDENT BRIEFING	1. Incident Name: District 14 ARES® Wide AREA NET (WAN)	2. Date Prepared 27 Jan 2011	3. Time Prepared 0705 Local
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4. Map Sketch

District 14 ARES® Wide Area Net
1900 Local, Sunday, 30 Jan 2011



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6. Summary of Current Actions

Goals and Objectives for 30 Jan 2011 WAN

1. Identify repeaters available for use by District 14 ARES Units that are capable of providing effective county wide and beyond communications.
2. Promote greater association to strengthen the spirit of cooperation between all four District 14 ARES Units, adjacent counties and counties within the reach of local repeater coverage zones. All ECs are encouraged to aggressively promote the participation of as many members and non-members as possible.
3. Use ICS templates for planning, execution and documentation as directed by the District 14 ARES Plan.

WAN Operational Information

The WAN will begin at 1900 Local. You may check in to as many nets as possible.

Please review the sample WAN script on page 8 prior to the WAN in order to have a clear understanding of the sequence and how the WAN will operate.

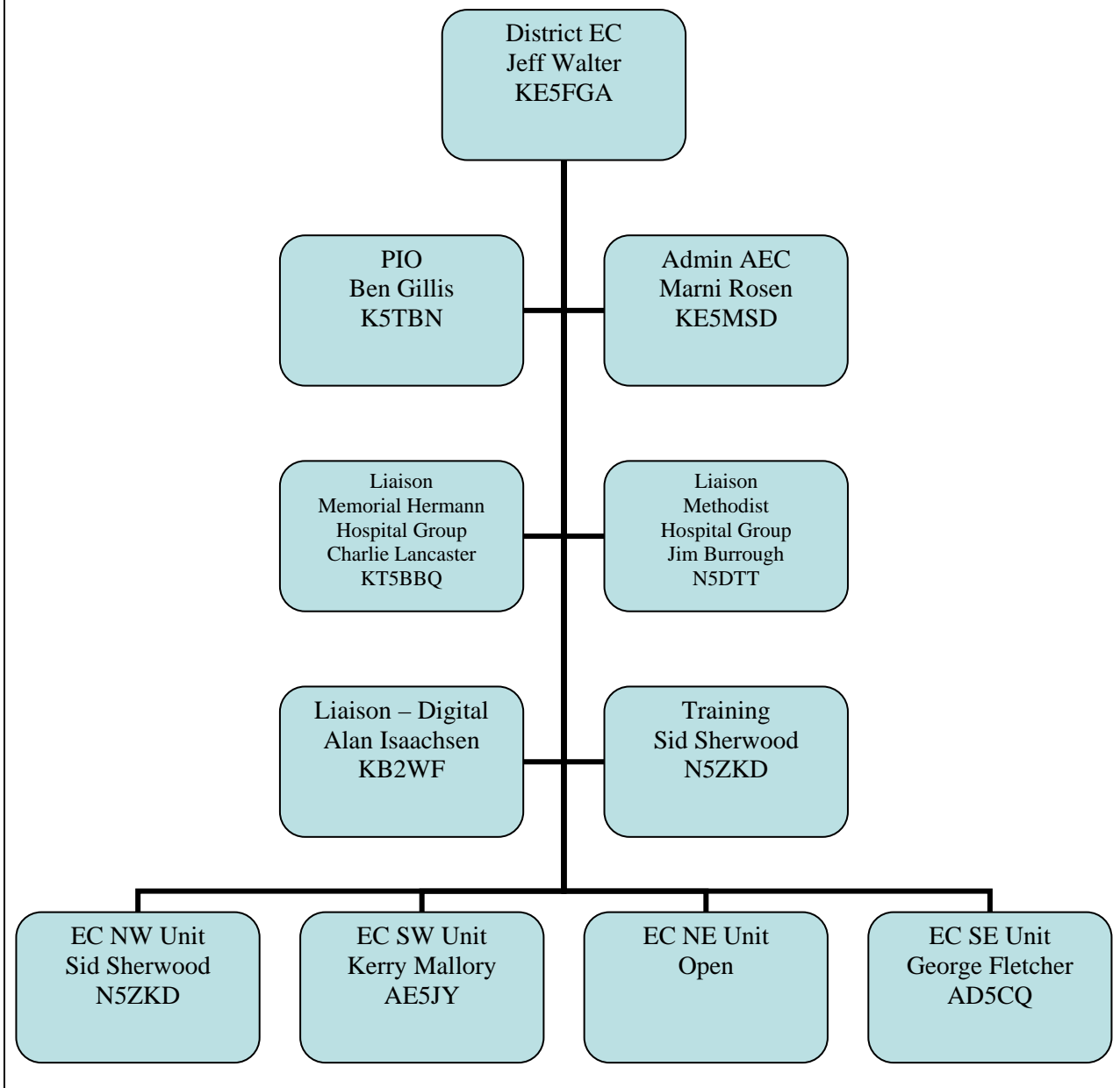
6. Summary of Current Actions

1. Unit ECs are requested to announce the WAN on their regular Unit NETS and request all members to participate. Additionally, other means of announcement, such as phone trees, email lists or other means are strongly encouraged.
2. All net control and back up net control stations should be identified before the initial WAN ICS documentation is released to the unit members. All net control and backup net controls are requested to perform net control duty for a local net prior to the WAN.
3. All repeaters trustees have been notified and requested permission for use.

SAFETY

Safety is paramount. Always think safety on all ARES operations. Be conscious of the conditions around you on all deployments. Be aware of your situation and surroundings at home and while deployed. If deployed to a hazardous location use the buddy system and make certain that someone knows where you are.

7. 30 May 2010 District 14 Organizational Chart



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8. Resources Summary				
Resources Ordered	Resource Identification	ETA	On Scene	Location/Assignment
145.370 (-) 123.0	North POD Net Trustee W5BAK contacted.	1840		Houston, TX
147.000 (+) 103.5	County Information Net Trustee W5TXV contacted.	1840		Houston, TX
147.060 (-) 123.0	South POD Net Trustee KA5QDG contacted.	1840		Houston, TX
146.450	D-Star 2m Trustee W5JSC contacted	1840		Magnolia, TX
146.460	D-Star 2m Trustee W5JSC contacted	1840		Magnolia, TX
440.600	D-Star 70cm Trustee W5OFT contacted	1840		Houston, TX
KE5FGA@winlink.org	Digital check ins via Packet. Attempt to contact all of the following stations and send a report. No attachment is required.	1800		Houston, TX
145.010	KA5QDG-11	99.09 %		Wide area station, central Houston
145.010	WC5WM-10	74.24 %		Texas Med Center
145.050	KA5QDG-10	82.92 %		SE Houston
145.050	KD5WHD-10	71.95 %		Central Houston; Digi alias: GHAC
145.050	KE5JMA-10	29.75 %		Central Houston
145.050	N5DCC-10	0.00 %		Pasadena (Up 45 feet)
145.050	W5OFT-10	99.92 %		Central Houston
145.050	WD8RZA-10	85.46 %		Katy (50W up 125 feet)
145.070	KD2KW-10	99.72 %		Spring
145.070	W5SI-10	99.99 %		Humble (W5SI also works as a digi)
145.090	KB5HCD-10	36.01 %		NW Houston
446.150	KD5WHD-10	69.11 %		Central Houston
446.150	W5OFT-10	99.92 %		Central Houston
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INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN		1. Incident Name District 14 ARES WAN	2. Date/Time Prepared 27-Jan-2011 07:05 local	3. Operational Period Date/Time 30 Jan 2011 1830 - 2000 Local	
4. Basic Radio Channel Utilization					
Net Control Operator Back Up Operator	Band Net	Function	Frequency/Tone	Assignment Location	Remarks
Sid Sherwood N5ZKD SW Member	2m North	1 st NC 2 nd NC	145.370 (-) 123.0	West Houston	
Jeff Walter KE5FGA Dom Mazoch N5TCB	2m Information	1 st NC 2 nd NC	147.000 (+) 103.5	West Houston North Houston	
SE Member SW Member	2m South	1 st NC 2 nd NC	147.060 (+) 123.0	West Houston	
Alan Isaachsen KB2WF	2m 2m 70cm	D-Star	146.450 146.460 440.600	N5MDS - Magnolia N5HDS – Downtown W5HDR – Med Center	REF004B
Not Confirmed					
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Incident Communications Plan, ICS Form 205

GENERAL MESSAGE		
TO: KB2WF, N5ZKD, N5TCB	POSITION: Net Control Stations	
FROM: Jeff Walter KE5FGA	POSITION: ARRL STX District 14 EC	
SUBJECT: Call for net operations	DATE: 30-Jan-2011	TIME: 1727 local
MESSAGE:		
<p>Regarding the upcoming wide area net of 30-Jan-2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please be on station ready to operate at 18:35 local. Monitor 147.000 for instructions. • I will call the countywide repeater 147.000 to announce the nets and their frequencies at that time. • I will call all stations in to service starting at 18:40 in order as listed on the Incident Communications Plan, ICS Form 205 located on page 6 of this IAP. • At 10 and 5 minutes before the hour all net control stations should call to announce your net, on your assigned repeater, requesting a clear frequency. NC and BUNC should be in contact with each other. • Then all NC stations should call KE5FGA on 147.000 to confirm your repeater and net control station is up or other status before starting, then again after for securing your net. • Start your net promptly at 7 PM. Keep the net open until all check-ins have been taken. Close the net at 8 PM if no other check-ins are waiting. • You may use a modified version of the sample net script or create your own, 		
SIGNATURE: Jeffery A Walter	POSITION: Wide Area Net IC	
REPLY:		
DATE:	TIME:	SIGNATURE/POSITION:

ICS Form 213

District 14 ARES® Wide Area Net

(Revised 26 Oct 2010)

NET PREAMBLE **TEMPLATE**

CQ.....CQ.....CQ.....

This is <KE5FGA> **K**ilo **E**cho **5** **F**oxtrot **G**olf **A**lpha, primary net control station for tonight's net. My name is Jeff, located in Harris County, near Jersey Village. Is tonight's backup net control station on frequency and what is your location?

Tonight, we are using the 147.000 repeater, with the permission of the repeater trustee KR5K. This repeater requires a sub-audible tone of 103.5 Hertz for access, with a Positive offset. If your transmitter does not have this tone, please transmit simplex on the repeater output frequency.

This net is open to all amateurs in the surrounding community. This net is not limited to ARES members. ARES, CERT, MARS, RACES, REACT, no affiliation, Where ever you may be located within the sound of my voice, all are welcome and encouraged to check in.

For information on becoming an ARES member, please contact the EC for your local county unit. Please send radio packet check-ins to KE5FGA@Winlink.org using ICS-213 form as a Rich Text Format (.rtf) attachment. Actual use of this form is page 7 of this plan. Saving in any other format will make the document too large (.doc) or destroy the form itself (.txt)

This is a directed net; all stations are requested to remain on frequency until recognized and location identified by net control. You are encouraged to check into as many nets as possible. Please refer to page 5 of the IAP for a listing of all nets. The first objective of these nets is to identify repeaters available for use by District 14 ARES Units that are capable of providing effective countywide and beyond communications.

Please be prepared to report on your location.

If you are located at a served agency, please state the agency name.

- When requesting check-ins to the net acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations.
- Call each station that checked in with traffic, in the order they checked in, asking each one: Their name and location.
- Record their information on the Unit Log (Page 10 of the IAP)
- Make at least two calls for each group, late check in will be picked up later.
- When completed with the initial list of check-ins, request if there are any relays for the wide area net.

Begin Net Check-In Process

Do we have any stations that wish to check in that have priority or emergency traffic for the net? Please call now using ITU phonetics.

We will now take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning: A-Alpha through L-Lima using proper ITU phonetics slowly

Acknowledge the call signs by requesting their first name before asking for more stations, ask for any relays. Continue with the next group when no one answers

M-Mike through Z-Zulu using proper ITU Phonetics slowly

Acknowledge the call signs by requesting their first names before asking for more stations, ask for any relays. Continue with the next group when no one answers

We will now take additional check-ins from stations with all call sign suffixes beginning: A-Alpha through Z-Zulu

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations, continue when no one answers

Call each station in the order they checked in, asking each one:

Their name. They may stay on frequency if they wish, but are not required to.

Continue calling for additional check-ins and recording their information Call sign and first name until the net closes at 8:00 PM local time.

Is there any further business for tonight's net?

This is **KE5FGA** now closing the Wide Area Information Net. We want to thank the Cypress Repeater Group, Trustee **KR5K**, and the other users of this frequency for giving us a clear frequency to conduct this net. This repeater and frequency are now available for normal amateur operations.

This is **KE5FGA** clear.

Compile list and NCS and Backup NCS should compare and confirm information.

Number of check-ins: _____

Total time of the net: _____

Pieces traffic passed: _____

Documented information for every check in:

Name/Call

City - County location they are located at.

Send The Unit Log (ICS-214) to Jeff Walter - KE5FGA@ARRL.NET before securing site.

UNIT LOG ICS-214		1. Incident Name	2. Date Prepared	3. Time Prepared
		Wide Area Net	30-Jan-2011	2000 Local
4. Unit Name/Designators Information Net		5. Unit Leader (Name and Position) Jeff Walter KE5FGA – ARRL STX 14 EC		6. Operational Period 1830-2000
7. Personnel Roster Check ins				
Call	Name	City	(Home Base)	County
8. Activity Log				
Time	Major Events			
	Begin operations			
	Secure operations			
9. Prepared by (Name and Position)				