ROAD AND WEATHER NETGENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION SHEET

WHAT DO I S AY AND WHEN DO I S AY IT?

You are net control so as such, you are in charge and can operate about anyway you wish (within reason) as long as you do not violate any laws. We have found, however, that the following "script" seems to help those who are a bit shy. Feel free to improvise as you see fit.

"Thi s is (your call), a cting a s net control for the Kern County Road and Weather

net. My name is (your name), and I am located in (your location). This is an

informal net conducted by the member s and friends of the Kern County Central

Valley Amateur Radio Club. I will be monitoring the following W6LIE repeater s:

The Road and Weather Net is held on the Breckenridge Mountain repeater 145.150, negative offset down 600, tone 100 hertz, linked to the Grapevine Peak repeater 146.910, negative offset down 600, tone 100 hertz.. The purpose of this net is to relay information that would be of value to the traveling

amateur operator. We are al so here to a s si st in the event of any emergency.

Does

anyone have any traffic, weather or emergency conditions to report, plea se

come

now. (I f no response) Thi s is (your call) monitoring."
DO YOU HAV E ANY HINT S?

Yes we do, we have found the following to be helpful:

- 1. Remind people of the net every 10 to 15 minutes if radio traffic is slow.
- 2. **Keep c areful notes**, as the information may be very important later in the day when some one else takes over for you.
- 3. Be friendly! Many people are bored and/or sleepy and they just want to chat.
- 4. Allow routine traffic on our repeaters, but remind the users that a net is in progress and to leave space for people to break in with road, weather or emergency information. Everyone is usually very cooperative.
- 5. Most of all have some fun! You are doing a great service for your club and your community.
- 6. **Have ready a c ce s s to a phone!** An emergency is not the time to run from room to room

looking for the phone. A computer and police scanner are also handy!

WHAT IF I HAVE A PROBLEM?

If you have a problem do not hesitate to call one of the following:

Nathan (WT6V) 661-302-7613 Joe (K6JLL) 661-725-3415 Randy (KC6ZRF) 833-1438

If you cannot make your time slot, try to find someone to cover for you. Failing that, call one

of the previously listed committee members for advice.

The final attachment is a list of frequencies and important **PHONE NUMB E R S**, keep it handy! If you think there is an important number that should be listed, please advise one of the committee members. Good luck!

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Please remember folks; We are not broadcasters, we are amateurs, one way

communications are illegal. We need to be in communications with another amateur

station prior to announcing information. Per FCC Rules 97.113(b) "We cannot ID and

start giving traffic information without having two way communications established first.

Certain exceptions have been made in the rules for weather as long as the info comes from

a U.S. Government owned weather station, and not on a frequent basis.

Thank you for participating in our Road&Weather Net, and benefiting your fellow amateur.