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To: COMO Smith, DCO(e) Kirkwood, DCOS(e) McFarren, D11NR Board and Staff Members

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Highlights

- ◇ Net Control and HF Training
- ◇ HF Propagation Down
- ◇ VHF Nets Continue / Repeater Coverage
- ◇ PCA Training Fair / Dtrain

Details

- ◆ D11SR ADSO-CM Bill Scholz has begun web session training for the HF operators on a variety of subjects. Planned classes include: HF net control, passing formal message traffic via voice and digital modes, monitoring, interpreting and reporting traffic on GMDSS HF channels as part of the AUGCOM (AUGmented COMmunications) role. Several D11NR HF stations are participating.

Support and recognition from USCG COMMCOM has been noted, especially during the last hurricane siege.

- ◆ The HF propagation is down now as seasonal and solar atmospheric conditions change.
- ◆ VHF nets are continuing as we explore getting repeater coverage back to the southern area of D11NR

Future Events

- ❖ PCA Training Fair in January and Dtrain in March – Classes pending

Respectfully Submitted,

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