

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
SACRAMENTO AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS RESERVE
AND THE
RIVER CITY AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SOCIETY**

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to establish and memorialize an agreement between the River City Amateur Radio Communications Society (River City ARCS) and the Sacramento Amateur Radio Communications Reserve (SARCR) for use by SARCR of the N6NA repeater system owned and maintained by the River City ARCS during Emergency Operations within Sacramento City, County, and Region.

2. INTRODUCTION

A. The River City Amateur Radio Communications Society, established in 1979, currently owns N6NA repeater system. System operates on the 2m band under the N6NA call sign.

B. The Sacramento Amateur Radio Communications Reserve is comprised of FCC licensed amateurs who volunteer their time, equipment, skill and knowledge in order to be prepared to provide auxiliary communication services for governmental, public service and other relief organizations which may be required in the Sacramento Region. SARCR is made up of two groups, ARES and RACES. Most SARCR members are in both groups:

i. The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is a nationwide field organization sponsored by the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL), and is managed by respective Emergency Coordinators at the State, District and County level. It is at the County level where most of the emergency preparedness planning, organizing and training is accomplished, because this is the level at which most emergencies occur and the level at which ARES leaders have direct contact with ARES members, with amateur radio clubs and groups.

ii. Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) was created in 1952 and can **only** be activated by a Government agency.

3. RECOGNITIONS

A. SARCR recognizes the River City Amateur Radio Communications Society as an autonomous Sacramento County amateur radio club which owns, operates and maintains a repeater facility, located East of Sacramento in the foothills near Shingle Springs, consisting of a 2 meter repeater 145.250- MHz *162.2 PL*.

B. River City ARCS recognizes the SARCR as the local extension of the ARRL Field Organization for planning and coordinating overall countywide emergency preparedness and operations in Sacramento County, which comprises members of the local amateur radio clubs and groups; and has developed a comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan with policies & procedures for supporting Sacramento County public safety agencies, and the American Red Cross and other Sacramento County agencies and disaster relief organizations.

C. Both SARCR and River City ARCS acknowledge and respect the fact that other Sacramento County amateur radio clubs and groups also have established relationships with other Sacramento County agencies.

4. METHOD OF COOPERATION

In order that the amateur radio emergency communications personnel, facilities and procedures of Sacramento County may be coordinated and utilized to the fullest advantage for supporting disaster relief operations in Sacramento County, the SARCR and the River City ARCS agree to the following:

A. River City ARCS will designate a representative to serve as its contact person with the SARCR.

B. River City ARCS approves the inclusion of its repeaters in the SARCR Frequency Plan. The River City ARCS 145.250 repeater will be designated as a Tactical and or Resource Net frequency for SARCR in an emergency.

D. River City ARCS will strive to maintain its repeater and back-up emergency power sources in good condition in order to assure their readiness in the event of a disaster or other emergency situation.

E. River City ARCS approves the use of its repeater by SARCR for training or other related activities whenever the repeater is not being used or scheduled for an activity by River City ARCS or other groups. SARCR will schedule and coordinate its use of N6NA repeater in advance with the River City ARCS representative(s).

TERM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement is effective as of the date indicated below, and shall remain in effect unless terminated by written notification from either party to the other; or, until replaced by an updated version mutually agreed to by both parties.

Date of Agreement: February 1, 2015

RIVER CITY AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SOCIETY

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