OPERATION OBJECTIVES ICS-202	1. Incident Name **RALLY PLAN**	2. Date Prepared 2024/10/06	3. Time Prepared 1804

4. Operational Period (Date and Time)

Any incident where standard communications are down

5. General Operational Objectives (include Alternatives)

3 3's Protocol – 3 Hours, 3 Minutes, 3 Modes

- Every 3rd hour, on the hour, starting at 0000 Hours, an Emergency Resource and Information Net shall be held.
  - Nets occur at 0000, 0300, 0600, 0900, 1200, 1500, 1800, 2100 Hours local time

- Net Control shall transmit information for at least the first 3 minutes of the hour before moving to check-ins or other business.
  - Net frequency is per the TCARES RALLY ICS-205 Communications Plan ("RALLY 205" attached), in hierarchical order from FM to SSB HF (CH 1-9 for Voice Net)
  - Listen to each frequency (CH 1-9 for Voice Net) for 10-20 seconds, then move to the next one until the Net is found

- Check Winlink every 3rd hour for messages with updated information, utilizing any functional RMS Gateway by digital mode and frequency of choice.
  - If Winlink messages are sent, they will be stored on the RMS/CMS awaiting retrieval. Pertinent information will be updated every 3 hours if necessary.
  - Peer to Peer (P2P) Winlink messaging (CH 10 Primary and CH 11 Secondary, CH 7 HF Primary and CH 12 and 13 HF Secondary) requires knowing the call sign of your recipient. This will be coordinated in the Voice Net.
    - If necessary to further tactically coordinate HF P2P, voice transmission (always USB) can be on the same HF P2P frequency as digital.

- Establish contact with the Emergency Resource and Information Voice Net to receive a tactical assignment.

- Primary physical Rally Point shall be the American Red Cross facility at:

  - 2218 Pershing Dr, Austin, TX 78723

- Secondary physical Rally Point shall be at the 183/IH35 Academy Sports and Outdoors at:

  - 7513 N Interstate Hwy 35, Austin, TX 78752

  3 HOURS – Every 3rd hour, on the hour

  3 MINUTES – Minimum Net continuous transmission

  3 MODES – FM Analog VHF/UHF, SSB HF, and Digital

6. Weather Forecast for Operational Period

Not applicable

7. General Safety Message

Ensure the safety of your family and yourself first. Relocate to a safe location if needed.

8. Attachments (if attached)

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ICS-202	9. Prepared by Colin Wright K5KEX	10. Approved by Robert "Rex" Schuller, Travis County ARES Emergency Coordinator

1. Incident Name **RALLY 205**		2. Operational Period No./ Date/Time OP#: ALL From: 2024 To: UNTIL REVISED							**COMMUNICATIONS PLAN** **ICS 205**

3. Basic Radio Channel Use

Ch #	Function	Channel Name	Repeater or Simplex	RX Frequency	TX Frequency	Offset Frequency	Offset Direction	RX CTCSS	TX CTCSS	Operating Mode	Remarks
1	**RESOURCE RPT** NET	V36R	□ Repeater	**147.360** MHz	**147.960** MHz	600 kHz	+	131.8 Hz	131.8 Hz	FM	REPEATER RESOURCE NET
2	**TACTICAL RPT** NET	V94R	□ Repeater	**146.940** MHz	**146.340** MHz	600 kHz	-	107.2 Hz	107.2 Hz	FM	REPEATER TACTICAL NET
3	**RESOURCE SPX** NET	V58S	□ Simplex	**146.580** MHz	**146.580** MHz					FM	SIMPLEX RESOURCE NET
4	**TACTICAL SPX** NET	V54S	□ Simplex	**146.540** MHz	**146.540** MHz					FM	SIMPLEX TACTICAL NET
5	**SECONDARY RPT** NET	U10R	□ Repeater	**444.100** MHz	**449.100** MHz	5 MHz	+		103.5 Hz	FM	SECONDARY REPEATER NET
6	**SECONDARY SPX** NET	U25S	□ Simplex	**446.025** MHz	**446.025** MHz					FM	SECONDARY SIMPLEX NET
7	**PRIMARY** HF NET/P2P 60M	HF60		**5.3715** MHz USB (DIAL)	**5.3715** MHz USB (DIAL)					USB/ VARA 500	PRIMARY HIGH FREQUENCY TACTICAL NET AND VARA 500 HF WINLINK PEER TO PEER (CENTER FREQUENCY 5.3730 MHz)
8	**SECONDARY** HF NET DAY	HFDA		**7.2380** MHz LSB (DIAL)	**7.2380** MHz LSB (DIAL)					LSB	SECONDARY HIGH FREQUENCY TACTICAL NET - DAY
9	**SECONDAR** HF NET NIGHT	HFNI		**3.9000** MHz LSB (DIAL)	**3.9000** MHz LSB (DIAL)					LSB	SECONDARY HIGH FREQUENCY TACTICAL NET - NIGHT
10	**PRIMARY** P2P	PP2P	□ Simplex	**441.050** MHz	**441.050** MHz					VARA FM	PRIMARY WINLINK PEER TO PEER - COORDINATE P2P STATION CALL SIGNS VIA VOICE FREQUENCIES
11	**SECONDARY** P2P	SP2P	□ Simplex	**144.930** MHz	**144.930** MHz					VARA FM	SECONDARY WINLINK PEER TO PEER - COORDINATE P2P STATION CALL SIGNS VIA VOICE FREQUENCIES
12	**SECONDARY** HF P2P DAY	40DG		**7.0815** MHz USB (CENTER)	**7.0815** MHz USB (CENTER)					USB VARA 500	SECONDARY VARA 500 HF WINLINK PEER TO PEER - DAY (DIAL FREQUENCY **7.0800** MHz)
13	**SECONDAR** HF P2P NIGHT	80DG		**3.5655** MHz USB (CENTER)	**3.5655** MHz USB (CENTER)					USB VARA 500	SECONDARY VARA 500 HF WINLINK PEER TO PEER - NIGHT (DIAL FREQUENCY 3.5640 MHz)
14			□ Repeater □ Simplex								
15			□ Repeater □ Simplex								

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The convention calls for frequency lists to show four digits after the decimal place, if narrow band is needed indicate an "N", otherwise the frequency is considered +/- 5kHz deviation. Offset direction is "+" or "-". Function is "Primary, Secondary, Tertiary, Tactical," etc. Assignment is the Branch/Division/Group/Section that will utilize it.
All channels are shown as if programmed in a control station, mobile or portable radio.   Repeater stations must be programmed with the Rx and Tx reversed.

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