



Frozen Prairie 2025

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February 7-8, 2025

INCIDENT BRIEFING (ICS 201)

1. Incident Name: Frozen Prairie 2025	2. Incident Number: 0225	3. Date/Time Initiated: Date: 2/7-2/8/2025 Time: 09:00 - 12:00
4. Map/Sketch (include sketch, showing the total area of operations, the incident site/area, impacted and threatened areas, overflight results, trajectories, impacted shorelines, or other graphics depicting situational status and resource assignment): Frozen Prairie 2025 ARES/AUXCOMM		
5. Situation Summary and Health and Safety Briefing (for briefings or transfer of command): Recognize potential incident Health and Safety Hazards and develop necessary measures (remove hazard, provide personal protective equipment, warn people of the hazard) to protect responders from those hazards. Wear weather appropriate clothing. Watch for slippery surfaces. Stay hydrated, have adequate food available		
6. Prepared by: Name: <u>Steve Warner</u> Position/Title: <u>ARES SEC</u> Signature: _____		
ICS 201, Page 1	Date/Time: <u>2/8/2025</u>	

INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (ICS 205)

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4. Basic Radio Channel Use:										
Zone Grp.	Ch #	Function	Channel Name/Trunked Radio System Talkgroup	Assignment	RX Freq N or W	RX Tone/NAC	TX Freq N or W	TX Tone/NAC	Mode (A, D, or M)	Remarks
N		SSB HF North Zone	ARES/AUXCOM		7.217				A	
N		SSB HF North Zone	ARES/AUXCOM		3.935				A	
C		SSB HF CENTRAL ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM		7.237				A	
C		SSB HF CENTRAL ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM		3.915				A	
S		SSB HF SOUTH ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM		7.247				A	
S		SSB HF SOUTH ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM		3.925				A	
SW		SSB HF STATEWIDE	ARES/AUXCOM		7.227				A	NC9IL
SW		SSB HF STATEWIDE	ARES/AUXCOM		3.905				A	NC9IL

5. Special Instructions:

6. Prepared by (Communications Unit Leader) Name: Steve Warner-ARES.SEC		Signature: _____	
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N		2 METER SIMPLEX N	ARES/AUXCOM				146.475		A	NORTH ZONE SIMPLEX
C		2 METER SIMPLEX C	ARES/AUXCOM				146.550		A	CENTRAL ZONE SIMPLEX
S		2 METER SIMPLEX S	ARES/AUXCOM				146.580		A	SOUTHERN ZONE SIMPLEX
N		HF DATA NORTH ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM				3.585		D	
C		HF DATA CENTRAL ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM				3.565		D	
S		HF DATA SOUTH ZONE	ARES/AUXCOM				3.560		D	
SW		CW STATEWIDE	ARES/AUXCOM				7.114		A	STATEWIDE CW TRAFFIC
SW		CW STATEWIDE	ARES/AUXCOM				3.538		A	STATEWIDE CW TRAFFIC

5. Special Instructions:
 Winlink address: ILEASWin.Link@ileas.org
 Steve Warner cell 618-315-0968 Email wa9sww@gmail.com
 Zoom Link
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81015482539?pwd=oKyOLQstMi5MV1ZhF98Dj8u4M7jYe8.1>

6. Prepared by (Communications Unit Leader) Name: Steve Warner	Signature: _____
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Current and Planned Actions, Strategies, and Tactics

FRIDAY, February 7, 2025

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

By Zone: Check-ins on assigned zone 40 meter frequencies.

North 7.217

Central 7.237

South 7.247

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM

Traffic handling (all modes).

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM

By Zone: 2 meter repeater nets, use wide area repeaters within each zone. If a GMRS repeater is available in your area, put out a call there also. After the check-in portion of the net, net control stations should QSY to the zone assigned simplex frequency and call again for check-ins and relays.

North 146.475

Central 146.550

South 146.580

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Illinois Digital Net check-ins. W9FE/K9SX Net Controls.

ILLINOIS LINK Wires x 21565

BRANDMEISTER DMR 31171

TGIF DMR 31171

DMR+ REFLECTOR 4636

P25 31171

NXDN 3117

ALLSTAR LINK 42810

YSF REFLECTOR ILLINOIS LINK 83132

DSTAR XLX 334G, DCS 334G, XRF 334G, XLX 312G

Current and Planned Actions, Strategies, and Tactics

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

CW Traffic Net. K9TJL Net Control 7.114 frequency.

12:00 NOON

NC9IL Statewide check-in 7.227 frequency.

SATURDAY, February 8, 2025

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

By Zone: Check-ins on assigned zone 40 meter frequencies.

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Central 7.237

South 7.247

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Traffic handling (all modes).

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South 146.58

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1:00 PM

After Action Hotwash via ZOOM.

ASSESSMENT

Illinois ARES Zone Map with Frequencies

North Zone
Districts 2, 3, & 4

HF Voice
3935 LSB
7217 LSB
HF Data
3585 USB
CF 3586.5
2M Voice
146.475

Central Zone
Districts 6 & 7

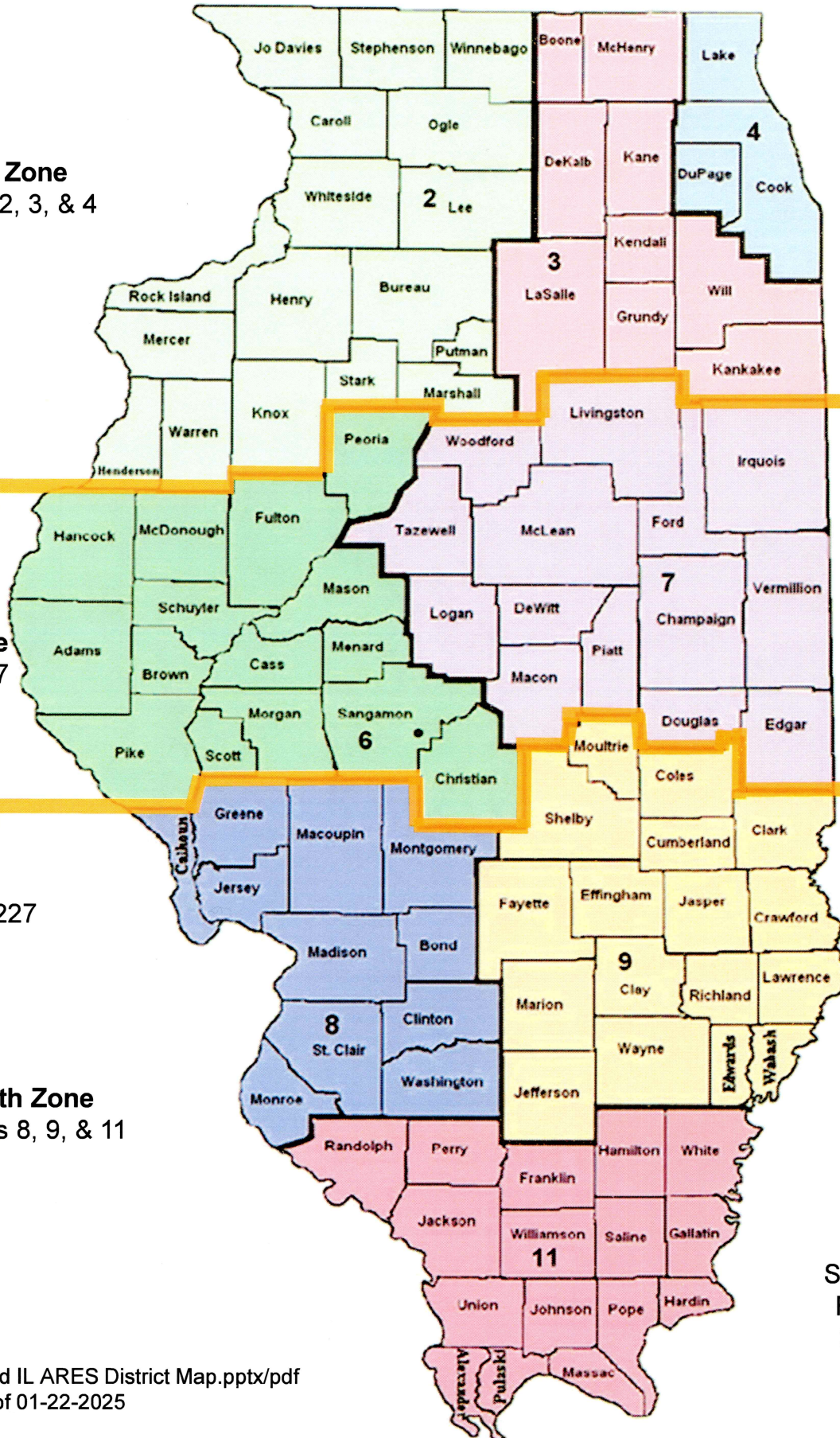
HF Voice
3915 LSB
7237 LSB
HF Data
3565 USB
CF 3566.5
2M Voice
146.550

NC9IL
3.905 / 7.227

South Zone
Districts 8, 9, & 11

HF Voice
3925 LSB
7247 LSB
HF Data
3560 USB
CF 3561.5
2M Voice
146.580

Statewide CW
Frequencies
3.538/7.114



Sample Preamble

Is the frequency busy?

This is (*your name and call*), the Net Control for the Amateur Radio Frozen Prairie 2025 exercise.

I am located in (*city and zone*). All ARES/AUXCOMM and interested amateurs are invited to participate.

I will now take check-ins and stations with traffic. Call now.