

CERT Auxiliary Working Group
September 10, 2022 Summary

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- Disasterville Game
 - The next WG Meeting on *Saturday, Oct 8 will be an in-person at the Nonprofit Insurance Alliance Community Room from 9-3pm.* Team Leaders and all WG members are invited to attend. We will be reviewing the Levels of Participation and then play the Disasterville Game so people become familiar with the game now available to Teams on a rotating basis. The address is 300 Panetta Ave, Santa Cruz. Lunch will be provided.

- Levels of Participation
 - There was a preliminary review of the Levels and a suggestion was made to complete this at the October in-person meeting. All agreed to table the discussion until then. A copy of the suggested changes is attached.

- Priorities
 - A survey will be developed to narrow down the future direction and priorities of the CERT Auxiliary. **ACTION: Sharon Spence will develop the survey, email to WG members and tabulate the results.**
 - After this is completed a separate Strategic Plan (SP) Committee will form and amend the SP for FY 23-25 based on survey results. A Draft SP will then be presented to the WG.

- Auxiliary Staff
 - Deputy – Rosemary Anderson
 - Every CERT should be enrolled in Code Red. Team Leaders should promote this application.
 - Suggested IS Courses be offered as a group in-person and on-line.

 - Training -- Joyce Smith,
 - Finishing Fall Basic class in Aptos next Saturday with 15 students.
 - Next Basic Training class in SLV starting *Thursday, Oct 20* at the Hyland Park Senior Center, Felton. The Saturday

Disaster Review will be in Aptos at Central Fire's Station #5.

- Logistics -- Don Dickerson
 - Planning meetings with Team Leaders to review activation supplies and equipment at Aptos and Felton storage sheds.
 - Temporarily set up a 60-day recharge cycle for lights and spare radios storage sheds. Will be evaluated and proper time sequence determined.
- Planning – John Collins
 - Need separate committee to write and then review the 4 advanced training modules. **ACTION: John Collins to set up committee and meeting to begin module development and review.**
- Safety Officer – John Hanley
 - New booster, if it's been two months since last booster, get the new one. May get it with the flu shot (one in each arm), allow a few days for the sore arm to clear.
 - If you were vaccinated and boosted, but got COVID, discuss when to get booster with your primary care physician.
- PIO – Traci Takeuchi
 - Information for social media: September is national preparedness month, encouraging sign-ups for Code Red, October is national earthquake preparedness month, Central Fire Open House at Station 5 on *Saturday, October 15* from 11-3pm.
- ARES – Dan Selling
 - Planning a new Ham Radio class starting *Monday, October 3*.
- Additional Items
 - OR3 is recommending a Midland Weather Radio for residents of Santa Cruz County
 - YouTube Video with Bob Fike explaining set-up: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XJl_3IWLrkk
 - Purchase for \$30: <https://www.amazon.com/Midland-WR120B-WR120EZ>
 - Other brands of weather radio are OK if they use SAME technology
- Team Leaders made reports of activity. Of particular note:
 - Team Boulder Creek and Chief Bigham are exploring the possibility of CERTs helping with Firefighter Rehab.
 - Team La Selva Beach offering a Zoom presentation on Lightning and Thunderstorms on *Wednesday, September 21* from 7-8:30

