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BULLETIN
HURRICANE LANE – HAWAII

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OPERATIONAL STATUS

With the immediate effects associated with Hurricane Lane having passed, all Radio Relay International networks may return to routine status. Our thanks to everyone who assisted with the Hurricane Lane response. In particular; we would like to thank *REACT International Oahu Unit 6252* and RRI Registered Radio Operator *RC Anderson (WH6FQE)* for their assistance in this operation.

While some priority message traffic has been handled as recently as yesterday (August 27), the volumes do not warrant any specialized restrictions on message traffic.

MOVING FORWARD

Radio Relay International has recently established digital connections to Hawaii for the rapid exchange of message traffic. This phase one arrangement is part of a three-phase plan that was recently implemented as part of our routine expansion and modernization of the national messaging layer. Fortunately, this process began shortly before Hurricane Lane was forecast.

Modifications to the standard routings for routine message traffic originated or relayed via manual mode nets or the RRI Digital Traffic Network will be announced in the future. In the meantime, traffic destined for Hawaii, which is originated via the *RRI manual-mode system or DTN* may be routed to:

Region 1: Steve Hansen (KB1TCE), Owls Head ME 04854 shansen@belljar.net kb1tce@winlink.org
Region 8/9: James Wades (WB8SIW), Marion, IL 62959 james.wades@radio-relay.org wb8siw@winlink.org

Traffic originated via the Winlink/RRI-Radiogram interface should be routed to "Region Hawaii," selectable from the drop-down menu on the radiogram form.

UPCOMING EMERGENCY EXERCISE

On an unrelated, but equally important note, Radio Relay International operators should keep September 5 open for a military hospital exercise occurring in California.

A quantity of simulated welfare precedence message traffic will be originated into the RRI system. Look for message traffic with "Test Welfare" or "TW" precedence and please treat it in the same manner you would in a major disaster operation.

More details will be forthcoming about this disaster exercise. However, in the meantime, please mark the date on your calendar.

Radio Relay International – Requests for Assistance:

RRI networks are operating on schedule and, as always, the RRI Digital Traffic Network operates 24/7/365. These resources remain available for outgoing welfare message traffic. Requests from net managers or EMCOMM coordinators for specialized communications circuits or additional network cycles to support either operational or welfare message traffic should be directed to:

James Wades
Radio Relay International
National Emergency Communications Coordinator
269-650-0215

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