FWRA NET PREAMBLE

QST, QST, QST, this is **(your name & call sign)** and I am the Net Control Station for the Far West Repeater Association Net.

This Net meets every Wednesday evening at 1930 hours local time.

The purpose of this net is to check the readiness of member stations and the repeater system for times of need.

All Amateurs are cordially invited to check in.

Visitors will be called following roll call of member stations.

Is there any emergency or priority traffic for the net? (listen for any traffic)

- Are there any mobile stations wishing to check in? (**listen** for any mobile stations)
- Are there any announcements for the Net? (listen for any announcements)
- Roll call of member stations follows. (Call stations on the roster)
- Are there any late or missed member stations? (add late stations to totals)
- Are there any visiting stations that would like to check-in? (Take visitor check-ins)
- Last call for any late, missed, or visiting stations? (add any additional check-ins to totals)

This is (your name & call sign) Net Control Station for the Far West Repeater Association Net closing the Net at this time and returning the frequency to normal Amateur use. Thank you all for checking in. **73**

Rosters/Preambles at <u>https://www.humboldt-arc.org/nets/ncs/</u> Please send roster updates to <u>w6zzk@humboldt-arc.org</u>

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You are encouraged to print page one of this preamble & the roster for easy reference as you call this net. Please add date to roster for each week. If you note a station no longer checks in for more than 4 weeks running please line out that station and send an update to w6zzk@humboldt-arc.org. This keeps the roster fresh and wastes less time waiting for hams who aren't able to participate. If missing hams start checking in, add them back to the roster and email w6zzk the update.

If you do not have the weekly bulletin for the week, designate a station that does have it available to transmit. We do try to update the HARC website as fast as possible and it may be available here https://www.humboldt-arc.org/all-posts/

If there were additional announcements that weren't on the weekly bulletin make sure to note them and pass them along to DEC or the next net. Sometimes we get busy and forgot to pass along important information so this is how we get the word out to the broader ham participants.

Net time is typically short, so mind how long you pause for check-ins. 3-4 seconds is typical. If a station missed their chance, you can pick them up after the roster with your announcement for **any late or missed**. Mind the time as there are other nets immediately following this net.

If you hear a weak, barely audible, interference noise, or distorted station checking in, please make sure to mention the audio problem to that ham so they can correct the problem. Remember, they can't hear themselves when they are checking in and depend on good feedback from NCS. This is a vital part of "readiness" mentioned earlier in this preamble.