

Northern Nevada Preppers Meeting 10/13/12

1. Introductions and Sign In –

- Add your name to the email list only if you want to be added to the group messages.

2. New attendees only if any

- Who you are? (be mindful of OpSec)
- What level of Prepping are you operating at?
 - i. How long Prepping?
 - ii. What kind of Prepper. Short term? Long term? Loss of job? Natural Disaster? Economic Collapse? Societal Collapse? TEOTWAWKI?
 - iii. What have you completed?
 - iv. What are you working on?
- If you have any special skills or past experience or something you are training in?
- If comfortable, include what preps have you made and what items do you have?
 - i. Food
 - ii. Water
 - iii. Medical
 - iv. Communications
 - v. Defense
 - vi. Mobility?
 - vii. Bug in location?
 - viii. Bug out location?

3. Reading of minutes from prior meeting.

- The last meeting was held at the Northwest Reno Library small conference room. We covered Frank Freeland's fantastic third and final security series about convoy security, bugging out as a group and security at locations.
- We covered a First Aid hands-on lecture and training series on lacerations and extremity breaks, both open and closed fractures and applying bandages and splints.
- We had a guest speaker who covered veteran assistance and fundraising efforts.
- The meeting had new attendees.
- It was decided to conduct the lecture series on bug out bags, get home bags, 72-hour kits and water and food requirements one more time. We further

decided to make it a two part exercise in which people will go home to prepare their 72-hour kits and conduct a bug-in drill for a period of 24-48 hours. The group that has prepared bug-out bags will move to a field location and conduct an overnighiter field exercise to test out plans and gear.

- The group decided to pursue a group purchase from Wise foods and Rob McKeivitt agreed to take that one getting a contact, prices and a list out to the group.
- The group decided they would like to pursue self-defense training. We found instructors willing to work with the group giving consideration to those that are handicapped.
- The group decided that we will have a meeting in November and it will be the lecture and training series for canning and dehydrating food. Those that have access to a church kitchen would pursue if the group could meet there. Using Rob McKeivitt's house won't work as an option due to the ever expanding size of the group. Our only available choice at this time is the use of a barn to set up a field kitchen at a location in North Reno in the Redrock Area.
- Everyone agreed not to have a meeting in December due to the holidays and keep that month dark.

4. New business and updates from old business.

- Preparation updates.
 - i. What have you added to your preps, i.e. water storage, food items, medical supplies, transportation, shelter, etc?
 - ii. What deals did you find, i.e. food deals, storage items, special supply item sales?
 - iii. What projects are you working on or do you need help with one?
 - iv. What new preps are you starting, i.e. water, food, canning, medical, etc?
- Special projects or events being worked on.
- Information sharing; i.e. ideas, skills, purchasing deals, how-to instruction?
- APN requests to anyone. Media interviews. Meeting sites or new ideas for locations.

5. Presentation of lecture series -

72-Hour kits, Bug-Out Bags, Get Home Bags, Necessary Paperwork, Food Storage, Water Storage.

- **Secondary Events from Lecture Series -**

Those with Bug-Out Bags and prepared to test out gear and plans on an overnight event will load out together from the Northwest Reno Library and convoy to the field site in Silver Springs. The cost will be \$15 per vehicle. The site we will be using has already been paid for at a cost of \$25.

Those that are not participating in the overnight field exercise will go home and complete their 72-hour kits. It is highly encouraged that on that same day, utilities other than natural gas are shut off to the dwelling if possible to simulate a natural disaster and interruption of normal utilities. This will include shutting down main electrical and water to the dwelling. Those who do not have water stored can fill up a bathtub before hand. Those that are not comfortable with their preparations for a 24 hour event, should complete those preparations that weekend and perform the bug-in exercise the following weekend if possible.

6. Meeting wrap up and conclusion.

- **Does the group want to meet again?**
- **Next meeting location?**
- **Next meeting time frame?**
- **Next meeting training ideas?**
 - Medical – Rob is working on a medical series presented by a trauma RN**
 - Weapons – Is everyone CCW licensed and does anyone need a course?**
 - Food preparation – Rob found that Wise Foods would work directly with us to reduce the costs and offer free shipping.**
 - Water management – Begin storing water barrels or simple 5-7 gallon water containers. Consider purchasing a Water BOB for the bathtub.**
 - Bugging Out – Field exercise being conducted for this meeting.**
 - Bugging In – Exercise being conducted this weekend.**
 - Security –**
 - Communications - Simple and cheap HAM radio solutions thread on APN. License study course available on line at reasonable cost at: <http://www.hamradiolicenseexam.com/>**
 - Wilderness Survival**
 - Field Craft/Camp Out – October field event. Possibly a winter camp could be set up early next year.**
 - EMP Preparation – Solar activity becoming more pronounced and of greater possible concern.**
 - Pandemic Preparation**
- **APN requests?**
- **Do we have volunteers for lecture or training series? Anyone? Any subject?**

Notes: