

GMRS Net Educational Moment
Power Outage Feedback

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Now we'll have our Educational Moment. I am presenting it tonight. The topic for tonight is feedback on YRs in the power outage from Tuesday August 8th around 10pm.

What was heard.... Called on Zone 2 channel (102). No one heard. Switched to GMRS 119R and heard several people reporting on their power status. No NC. After a short bit of back-and-forth, the power came back on.

Great job getting on those YRs!

What we'd like to have happen.... This initial response is very important!

Go to your Zone Channel first. (We'll be practicing this in upcoming weeks.)

Check for others and select a ZNC as we have been doing. (It might be you if you're the only person there.)

ZNC checks on status of any other users gathering basic info.

ZNC switches to 119R and listens. Checks-in if there's already a net. If no net, they become NC by default.

From there the ZNC serves as go-between between 119R and their Zone Net.

This could have been a major multi-day power outage. Cell/Internet service may have been down. Neighbors may have needed assistance. That assistance would have been communicated and coordinated on your Zone Channel, not 119R.

Does that sound like what we've been practicing? You bet! Next week's Drill will help reinforce this. Don't miss it!