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Expectations for the SET To test our Team's ability to activate and establish communications (HF, VHF, and Digital) from one or more of our served agency's locations as part of the Statewide SET.

What Occured We were able to activate and establish HF, VHF, and Digital/Packet communications from one of our served agency's locations. We staffed the operation with three (3) amateurs (N4HOK, N4MI, and KK4BHJ) and maintained radio contact with the District 6 Resource Net, VDEM via Packet, NTS Station AK4PE for transfer of a Winlink message to the Virginia SEC. We also made HF contact with the SEC and passed messages on behalf of Goochland County Fire and Rescue.

What Went Well and Why Set up of the equipment went very well and took minimal time. Communications on VHF, Packet and HF on 40 meters were fine. We set up at Goochland County Fire & Rescue Company 5 which is an alternate EOC for the County and the site of our Field Day operations. We passed 7 messages. We have operated from this site numerous times and that practice paid off in getting on the air quickly.

Improving Operation and How We set up outside of the Fire Station and if we need to do this in the future, we will need a shelter. We did not announce the SET to the full team far enough in advance to have additional Amateurs available to set up at other Fire Stations in the County. We need to research and experiment with HF antenna placement for optimum performance.

Your Call N4HOK

Your Location Goochland County, VA

Other Calls at Your Location N4MI and KK4BHJ

Messages Sent 7

Messages Received 7