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This is (call sign), now activating the Jackson County Emergency Net. At this time I request that all recreational use of the repeater be suspended for the duration of this weather emergency.

This emergency net has been activated for the following reasons:

(Read the bulletin or bulletins that state the reason for activation.)

Our liaison station located at the (location of that station) is (call sign). (Their name and call sign) will be providing coordination with this net to the SKYWARN Emergency Net control station with information that follows the SKYWARN Standard Operating Procedures.

All amateur radio operators who are affiliated with this local net are encouraged to check. This liaison station was established for the purpose of coordinating the spotting and tracking of dangerous thunderstorms and tornadoes, and to provide a communication link between Jackson County and the National Weather Service in Huntsville. This net will help provide the earliest possible fore warning of weather emergencies to the citizens of North Alabama. Those stations not directly affiliated with this local net are still encouraged to check into this Emergency Net. When checking in with Net Control, it is very important that you give your call sign, name, specific location, and current severe weather observation. The most important thing spotters can provide is the time of the severe weather occurrence, the location of such occurrence and the movement and type of severe weather spotted.

This net will recognize specific weather related traffic and any other emergency or priority traffic. All other stations not involved with this net are to maintain radio silence. This is a directed net and stations may not call other stations without the consent and approval of net control.

This is (your call sign), net control for the Jackson County Emergency Net, standing by for stations with severe weather observations or emergency traffic.

(Any sever weather report should be passed on, directly to the North Alabama SKYWARN Emergency Net liaison station)

Update: Net control should identify the net every 10 minutes by stating the following:

This is (call sign), net control for the Jackson County Emergency Net, which has been activated for (state reasons for activation) (if you don't have access to the NWS bulletins, then have a member of the net who does read those aloud to the net, or if you have access, ensure that they are read in a timely manner.)

Closing:

This is (your call sign), net control for the Jackson Emergency Net. It appears that the severe weather situation affecting North Alabama has passed. (Read bulletins canceling watch, warnings etc.) I appreciate all stations for their participation in the net. Is there anything this net can do for anyone before we close? This is (your call sign) now closing this emergency session of the Jackson County Emergency Net at (state current date and time).

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