Invitation to Attend Amateur Radio Field Day June 24-25, 2023 Baechtel Grove Middle School Willits, California

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Dear Invitee,

As officers of our local amateur radio groups, we would like to extend an invitation for you to meet with the amateur radio operators of our community as we participate in the national ARRL Field Day event, Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25 at the Baechtel Grove School, 1150 Magnolia St, Willits.

We will be operating several radios and demonstrating different aspects of our hobby, from emergency readiness to long distance contacts and digital modes(kind of like texting). Our organizations provide training and testing for those interested in becoming licensed amateur radio operators.

Amateur radio operators provide a critical public service for our community; during times of disaster, we are able to provide reliable communications when the normal infrastructure is offline. Licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and trained in the art and science of radio communication and basic electronics theory, we own and maintain our own communications equipment and are prohibited by federal law from receiving payment for our services. ARRL, our national organization, has built relationships with several served agencies including FEMA, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, and many others.

This public service is easily extended during non-emergency civic events, such as parades, marathons, and street festivals.

Field Day is our chance to show the science, service and skill we offer to our community free of charge.

We would love the opportunity to show you our capabilities in person.

We hope to see you at the Baechtel Grove Middle School on June 24th or 25th.

Regards, Officers of the -Willits Amateur Radio Society(WARS) and Mendocino County Amateur Radio Communications Service(MCARCS)

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