

YARA
Operation Nanook Planning Meeting
Tuesday, Feb 12, 2018
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Present – 11: VY1CC Charlie, VY1DM David, VY1GP George, VY1JC James, VY1JY John, VY1MAP Terry, VY1MG Moe, VY1KX Allen, VY1PJB Pam, VY1RT Ron, VY1SM Shannon

VY1JY introduced the group to the scenario, dates, locations and then opened the floor for questions and discussion. More details will be provided by the Military by Feb 15th.

Scenario: a wildfire in the Carcross-Tagish, phone outage, possible evacuation. Several government agencies and Carcross-Tagish First Nations will be participating. YARA members will be required for formal and informal message handling follow prescribed protocols and forms. Location of activities: Tagish Reception Centre, Carcross Learning Centre, Canada Games Centre, mobile hospital (at CGC), Fire Hall #2, EMO, and possibly mobile.

Pre-exercise training: May 17-31 (M-F); **Exercise:** June 3-6 or 7 (M-F)

Discussion:

1. VHF/UHV voice will be used
2. May need portable VHF/UHF repeater and cross-band repeater. Scenario of lightning strike on YARA repeater
3. May need HF communications
4. What are YARA capabilities for HF and VHF Winlink for this scenario?
5. Do all volunteers need to be licenced operators? E.g. runners, support
6. What specific types of messages need to be handled?

Initial YARA deployment – 15 radio operators

Location	Operators	Comments
Tagish Reception Centre	VY1GHR, VY1MAP	VY1RF?
Carcross Learning Centre	VY1DM, VY1CSZ	
Canada Games Centre	VY1PJB, VY1MG	
Mobile hospital	VY1CC, V VY1KX, Y1JC	
EMO	VY1JY, VY1RT, VY1SW?	
Fire Hall #2	VY1MB, VY1GP	
Backup Operators		

To Do in next couple of months:

1. Assess HF and VHF Winlink capabilities for this exercise
2. Determine radio and equipment requirements for each location
3. Determine training requirements and put on workshops