



Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference, Inc.

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Christopher Bennett, Commander
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Dear Chris:

It is with much sadness that I acknowledge Piedmont Search and Rescue's withdrawal from the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference. PSAR has been an exemplary member of the conference, demonstrating the high degree of professionalism that characterizes the ASRC. We look forward to working with your team at future missions.

As a matter of administration, we believe that all members of PSAR have been removed from various ASRC email lists. Please let us know if there are any additional administrative matters we need to address. We will ask that you cease making reference to any ASRC certifications that your team members may have achieved. Only members of the ASRC are permitted to claim ASRC certifications.

Without prejudice to PSAR's exit from the conference, I would ask that you let your membership know that ASRC Bylaws make it quite straightforward for PSAR members to join another ASRC team, or apply for At Large membership in the conference. If any of your members are interested, they should feel free to contact me (chair@asrc.net). And looking forward, I hope you realize that PSAR would still be welcome at the Multi-State Full Scale Exercise running April 9-11 in Green Ridge State Forest, Maryland. I have attached a flyer for you to distribute to your membership.

On behalf of the ASRC, I wish PSAR continued success as a SAR organization. And we'll see you in the field!

That others may live,

Steve Weiss, Chair

Attachment



Multi-State Full Scale Exercise

April 9-11, 2010

Green Ridge State Forest

Hosted by Shenandoah Mountain Rescue Group
In conjunction with the ASRC Annual General Meeting

Location

Green Ridge State Forest, Maryland

Green Ridge State Forest is located in eastern Allegany County, about 22 miles east of Cumberland, Exit 64 on Interstate 68.

<http://www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/western/greenridge.html>

Event Details

Exercise activities will begin Friday evening, April 9th, with limited night operations and a focus on planning for Saturday operations. The SAR Incident Commander for that shift of the exercise will determine the necessary scope of operations. Please contact sim@smrg.org if you wish to be included for consideration. After a change of base personnel at approximately 0700 on Saturday the 10th, full daytime field operations will commence. Base staff will plan to deploy all SAR resources from roughly 0700 until the scenario wraps up later that day.

Registration

We are arranging availability in group camping sites for both Friday and Saturday nights. If you plan to stay overnight, please RSVP to sim@smrg.org to ensure that space is reserved for you.

Green Ridge State Forest is a primitive site. Though exercise and base personnel will endeavor to provide food and water, all participants should be prepared to be self-supporting for their entire time at the exercise and if staying overnight in the campground.

Additional information will be forthcoming, please see additional details at <http://smrg.asrc.net>, under the tab titled "FSE - 2010"