### W.W.A.R.A. – General Meeting Agenda September 24, 2022 – 10:00AM

## Zoom Bridge Information:

- <u>LINK</u>
- Meeting ID: 898 2776 3514
- Password: Available on <u>WWARA Groups.io</u>
- (a) Call To Order (time) \_\_\_\_\_
- (b) Introductions
- (c) Approve minutes of April 23, 2022 General Meeting
- (d) Chairman Report
- (e) Treasurer's Report
- (f) Secretary's Report
- (g) Adjacent Areas:
  - IACC, BCARCC, ORRC
- (h) Committee Reports:
  - 6/10 Meters Randy Neals, W3RWN
  - 2 Meters Rob Salsgiver, NR30
  - 220 Band Peter Dahl, WA7FUS
  - 440 Repeaters Rob Salsgiver, NR30
  - 900/1.2Ghz Scott Honaker, N7SS
  - Database Enhancement Committee Kenny Richards, KU7M
  - Narrowband Committee KU7M, N7SS, N9VW, K7SLB
  - Coordination Rules Sub-Committee KD7DK, W3RWN, KC7CKO, NR30

### **Old Business:**

- Report on Seaside Conference N7SS
- Frank-NM7R and Larry-KC7CKO Update on draft DNR proposal for refining and adapting their current 'lease policies' to align with ham radio interests.

### **New Business:**

- Upcoming WWARA Elections
  - Director 1 (currently Ken Koster, N7IPB)
  - Director 4 (currently Larry Watkinson, KC7CKO)
  - Named positions (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer)

Next Meeting: Dec 3, 2022/10:00AM (via Zoom)

Adjourn Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2m / 70cm NB Band Plan Proposal

The WWARA board of directors recommends formally adopting the narrowband channels/band plan outlined in the Narrowband Proposal, first introduced in June 2019. (Available here: <u>https://www.wwara.org/documents/narrowband-plan/</u>) The NB Proposal has been presented to over a dozen groups in Western Washington, including at the ARRL NW Division Convention (SEAPAC) twice. Feedback for the band plan has been nearly universally positive and supportive. The plan has also been presented and reviewed by the adjacent coordination bodies in BC, Oregon and EWA.

The NB Proposal outlines a restructuring of the 2m and 70cm repeater pairs into 12.5kHz channels, which aligns with the current FCC land mobile allocations. The new allocations are overlaid with the existing 20kHz (2m) and 25kHz (70cm) repeater channels. The purpose of the adopting the proposal is to formally allow repeater coordination for narrowband systems in the new band plan, rather than consuming an existing wide band pair. Allocating a wide band pair for a narrowband system is a waste of bandwidth and slows the long-term migration to narrowband. In addition, the transition of two 'wide band' systems to narrowband creates a third channel for a new repeater.

This proposal is not creating or defining a requirement to move to narrowband, but is creating the definition if a repeater owner wants to coordinate a narrowband system and creates the orderly migration to narrowband long term. The proposed repeater allocations for 2m are presented below. The 70cm allocations has been incorporated into the WWARA 70cm band plan adopted in 2021. (link here: <a href="https://www.wwara.org/documents/70cmbandplan/">https://www.wwara.org/documents/70cmbandplan/</a>)

Appendix A: Existing and Proposed 2m Band Channel Raster

Existing	New	Existing	New	Existing	New
145.1100	145.1000 145.1125	146.6200	146.6250	147.0000	147.0000
	145.1250		146.6375		147.0125
145.1300	145.1375	146.6400	146.6500	147.0200	147.0250
145.1500	145.1500	146.6600	146.6625	147.0400	147.0375 147.0500
145.1700	145.1625	146.6800	146.6750	147.0600	147.0625
	145.1750		146.6875		147.0750
145.1900	145.1875 145.2000	146.7000	146.7000	147.0800	147.0875
145.2100	145.2125	146.7200	146.7125 146.7250	147.1000	147.1000
145.2300	145.2250	146 7400	146.7230	147 1200	147.1125
145.2300	145.2375	146.7400	146.7500	147.1200	147.1250
145.2500	145.2500	146.7600	146.7625	147.1400	147.1375 147.1500
145.2700	145.2625	146.7800	146.7750	147.1600	147.1625
	145.2750		146.7875		147.1750
145.2900	145.2875 145.3000	146.8000	146.8000	147.1800	147.1875
145.3100	145.3000	146.8200	146.8125 146.8250	147.2000	147.2000
145 2200	145.3250		146.8250	147 2200	147.2125
145.3300	145.3375	146.8400	146.8500	147.2200	147.2250
145.3500	145.3500	146.8600	146.8625	147.2400	147.2375
145.3700	145.3625	146.8800	146.8750	147.2600	147.2500 147.2625
	145.3750		146.8875		147.2023
145.3900	145.3875 145.4000	146.9000	146.9000	147.2800	147.2875
145.4100	145.4000	146.9200	146.9125	147.3000	147.3000
145.4300	145.4250	146.9400	146.9250 146.9375	147.3200	147.3125
145.4300	145.4375	146.9400	146.9500	147.5200	147.3250
145.4500	145.4500	146.9600	146.9625	147.3400	147.3375
145.4700	145.4625	146.9800	146.9750	147.3600	147.3500
	145.4750		146.9875		147.3625 147.3750
145.4900	145.4875	147.0000		147.3800	147.3730