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Subject:

Radio Programing change for 2018

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR ADFFM Radio Channel Plan- revised programing for radios

- Radio Programing File revision:** The latest version of our statewide radio program file for portable and mobile radios was updated as result of information that the Tonto NF did **not** change their primary forest net repeater frequencies as planned. The frequencies will stay the same as last year thus requiring a slight revision to our radio programing file. **Note:** The 2018 ADFFM Radio Communications Guide is up to date as of release and distribution so it reflects the most up to date information, Version 1.b 20 March 2018- this was the only version that was released. However, all **radio programing** that took place prior to March 22, 2018 did not include the change. The previous version of our radio programing will not affect operations as both sets of frequencies were built into the radio file, but the latest one (1232218) makes it easier to navigate to the primary Tonto NF Forest Net1 and Forest Net2 in the same radio group and also corresponds to the latest 2018 Radio Communications Guide version 1.b, 20, March 2018. See previous info contained on the Radio Communications Notice **RCN18-001** for guidance on proper Tonto ForestNet1 and ForestNet2 contained within Group 16, 17 and 24 until your radio can be reprogramed.
- Do you have the correct version?** To check to see if you have the latest radio program- Verify your radio program file version: Instructions: Radio in the "ON" position, select group 1. After verifying Group 1 selection, select and push the # button, release, and then hit the # button again and hold the # button to view the file version. Information will only appear while pressing and holding the # button. The file version with the date formatted as shown will appear in the lcd window. (Ex: 1.232218) The latest version of the radio programming file is Version **1.232218** which should appear on your radio if it has the latest program installed as of March 22, 2018. Any additional versions will be transmitted via this Radio Communications Notice method.



Contact the ADFFM Communications Section if you do not have this latest version. Communications@dffm.az.gov or dbrown@dffm.az.gov

- Jump Starting your vehicle and possible ADFFM two-way Radio Damage:** When jump starting vehicles, please ensure your radio is turned off and to fully ensure protection, please remove the inline Fuse located under the hood, normally located within 12" of the positive side battery post. Future installs will be completed to include the marking of the main buss fuse for the radio which is separate of all other fuse's and breakers. We have encountered at least 8 radios thus far this year that have required radio repairs to repair inadvertent damage to the radio when jump starting vehicles. The voltage surge could damage the radio rendering it useless or "Dead". After the jump starting procedure is complete, re insert fuse back into the fuse holder and Radio will function as normal.

Questions: Please feel free to call the ADFFM Communications Manager- 602-319-1232 or the Arizona Dispatch Center -1-800-309-7081

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Remember; be prepared and always have a "Plan B" for Communications