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### Stuart Wolfe – KF5NIX, Milam County Amateur Radio Emergency Coordinator

This month we will discuss the ICS 213 General Message Form. This form can be found in several places online, but I found it at <http://www.ics213.com/>. You can get it various formats for your particular needs (PDF, or Word document).

The form is divided into five sections: Header, Message, Message Signature Block, Reply, and Reply Signature Block. I will use some screenshots below that will aid us in completing the form.

## Header

TO: Recipient	POSITION: Recipient's Position
FROM: Originator	POSITION: Originator's Position
SUBJECT: What the message is about	DATE: <input type="text"/> TIME: <input type="text"/>

Date and Time when the Form was completed

- Full names of recipient and originator should be used  
-Debra G. Jones not Debbie Jones; Joseph P. Smith not Joe Smith, J. Smith, etc.
- ICS always uses functional, incident position titles  
-Incident Commander, not Bigville Police Chief, Strike Team Leader, not Bigville SAR Captain
- Subject should be concise and summarize topic of the message  
-Immediate evacuation of area below Bigville Dam, not Evacuation Plan
- Date and Time form was completed  
-When the message and message signature block are complete, go back and fill in the date a time

## Message

MESSAGE: Message goes here....
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## Message Signature Block

Originator signs message and prints position title here

SIGNATURE:	POSITION:
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# Reply

REPLY:
Reply goes here...

## Reply Signature Block

When you are done with your reply sign and print your position, then add date and time

DATE:	TIME:	SIGNATURE/POSITION:
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You can practice filling out this form until it becomes second nature. If you are called upon at an event you will be able fill a valuable need!

If you have not done so yet, go to the ARRLSTX depot site listed below. [http://www.arrlstx.org/vault\\_area/vault\\_gateway/site\\_gateway/vault\\_gateway.php](http://www.arrlstx.org/vault_area/vault_gateway/site_gateway/vault_gateway.php) there are several items listed on the workbook there that many of you have already accomplished in the past, just use your best guess as to the date and I will approve them.

As I have mentioned before, if you complete any of the online courses send me a copy of the certificate so we will have it on file in case of an emergency so we know who we can call on.

You can get your workbook as well as other forms at the Milam County Ares website: <http://milamcountyares.weebly.com/>

Thank you,  
Stuart Wolfe – KF5NIX – EC Milam County

**Rockdale** – 146.760 – PL – 123, Milam ARC weekly net – Monday nights at 8:00 P.M.

**Cameron** – 147.020 – PL – 123, Milam County ARES net – Thursday nights at 7:00 P.M.

**Davilla** – 147.000 – PL – 123, Milam ARC nets – Last Monday of each month held here.

**Milam ARES 2 Meter Data Repeater** 145.030 Mhz This repeater is a simplex repeater with store and resend software in the modem at the transceiver. This call sign is CAMRLY. The repeater is on the Milam County Communication Tower and uses the same antenna as the 147.020 repeater. That antenna is a db224 with 6db gain. It is approximately 150 feet AGL.