

TO: ALL WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AMATEURS
ALL NON-WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS AMATEURS
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SUBJECT: IF NOT LOGGED, IT DIDN'T HAPPEN

You will hear at any emergency training that "If it's not logged, It didn't happen". What is being said is if you don't write down all important information during an actual disaster or emergency it may be lost or forgotten. Immediately after the event is over, go through all of your papers and/or computer information to make sure it is complete while it's fresh on your mind.

When you go over your information make sure you have as many facts as possible. Facts like the time you received any information or reports, and where they went to. When and where the information or reports came from. Put down what was requested, and where it needed to be. Make sure you have names and/or unit numbers, or call signs of the people you communicated with. Are there any costs involved, be sure to put that on your report.

Some time after the event is over, you may asked questions about the event. It's much easier to answer the questions by going over the information that you saved. If you can't answer the questions with serenity, then it didn't happen, and you may have egg on your face.

This is from actual experience. Not the egg part, but a lot of money was saved.

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