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Milam County Public Health along with Emergency Management conducted a Public Health Strategic National Stockpile (SNS)/Point of Distribution (POD) Exercise on Friday, January 31. First Responders and Volunteers participated in this event of deadly flu pandemic-activating an operations center to distribute and administer vaccines in the midst of power outages fol-

lowing a major storm. The emergency notification system was implemented and began the chain of events to test site activation response time, personnel call down and facility set-up. The exercise scenario surrounded a pandemic flu outbreak of 50 cases of H7H9 flu reported-resulting in 25 deaths of people between other ages of 24-36 who had not previously had a flu shot. Emergency responders' mission was to contact adults in the target age range and vaccinate those who had not had a flu shot.

*KD5WRO Commentary*



### Fukushima:

In the Jan edition of this newsletter I related the dangers of radiation that may be spreading in the Pacific Ocean and warned of the possible radiation emission from US Nuclear plants along the Mississippi River when an earthquake hits that area. I felt my comments were "middle of the road" however a strong outcry from some readers illustrated how little factual information is available. I am quoting below comments from a U. S. government publication which further illustrates the wide gulf which now splits the opinions of scientist, researchers, writers and governments.

From Fed Health e-news Jan 2014

"is 20 trillion becquerels of radiation something to get concerned about? No, it isn't." "Observations from June 2013 shows the spread of Cesium 137...concentrations are safe" Referring to readings off the coast of Canada.

The wide divergence in opinions can leave us confused. As ARES members we should know the effects of nuclear radiation and be ready to deal with it if the event of a disaster.



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Milam County ARES Thursday 7 PM  
147.020 PL 123.0 Khz.  
Bell County NET Thursday 8 PM 145.130 PL  
123.0  
STX ARES HF Net Monday at 7:30 pm on 3873  
Khz.

Recent Check-Ins  
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KF5LTW, KA5HRF,  
KE5LVI and KD5WRO as  
Net Controller