



GROA RULE: GROA EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN (GEAP)

As a common interest community, it is important that we have a GEAP in the event of an emergency. As owner, you should be aware of how to react.

Preparedness: GROA Emergency Action Plan (GEAP)

Emergency preparedness is ultimately the responsibility of every owner and guest at the Resort. It can save your life. It is recommended, every owner be prepared for emergencies and disasters through the following methods:

- Make plans and preparations **before** an incident occurs.
 - Use the "buddy system" when planning for emergency response actions.
 - Maintain accountability of your personal belongings.
 - Recognize potential fire hazards and report them immediately.
 - Remain aware of your surroundings and immediately call 911 to report suspicious persons or activities.
 - Actively participate in safety training, including but not limited to fire extinguisher training, fire evacuation drills, first aid training and self-defense training.
 - Create a preparedness kit to keep in your trailer.
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Emergency Notification Systems

GROA Notifications — You **MAY** utilize any of the following:

- **Public Broadcast Media Outlets** — Listen to all necessary television and radio outlets to provide emergency information relating to our community.
- **NOAA Weather Radios** — The National Weather Service will post an alert message on NOAA weather radios.
- **Cable** — Cable will typically provide a scripted message on the bottom of the television screen. This can be seen either before or after the Emergency Alert System is used.

Twitter Alert System — A twitter telephone notification system is being created and should be on-line by June 30, 2016 to notify owners of Resort emergency situations.



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In any emergency situation you have a choice: **GET OUT/RUN** or **STAY IN/HIDE**.

Only proceed if you feel it is safe to do so.

FIRE: GET OUT/RUN

CALL: 9 1 1

Know your address!

Evacuation Assembly Areas¹

1. SouthFork Pavilion
2. SouthFork Bathhouse

TORNADO: SEEK COVERAGE

FOLLOW THE ILLINOIS DIASTER GUIDELINES:

(see link or copy available in office.)

Take the time now to learn the different ways to seek shelter within our community **before** there is an emergency.

ACTIVE THREAT: RUN, HIDE, FIGHT

RUN If you can safely leave your trailer, **RUN and call 9 1 1**.

HIDE If you cannot safely leave, find a safe place to **HIDE**.

FIGHT If you cannot **RUN** away safely or cannot **HIDE**, be prepared to **FIGHT** for your life.



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Emergency Response Recommendations

The Department of Homeland Security recommends the following three responses to any emergency confrontation: **RUN > HIDE > FIGHT**

Only follow these actions if safe to do so. When in doubt, follow your instincts—you are your own best advocate!

RUN

Action taken to leave an area for personal safety.

- Take the time now to learn the different ways to leave your Hill **before** there is an emergency.
- Evacuations are mandatory when directed by authorities. **No exceptions!**
- Evacuate immediately. Make noise to alert others to evacuate.
- Take critical personal items only (keys, purse, and outerwear) and close doors behind you.
- Assist those who need help, but carefully consider whether you may put yourself at risk.
- Look for **HILL EXIT (GROA Emergency Gates: Briarwood, NorthFork and Thornridge)** signs indicating potential egress/escape routes. (A HILL EXIT map is attached.) All GROA Emergency Gates will be unlocked in the event of an emergency.
- If you are not able to evacuate, go to the SouthFork Pavilion or SouthFork Bathhouse and await rescue assistance.
- Alert authorities to those who may need assistance.
- Do not re-enter the area until informed by emergency response personnel that it is safe to return.

ACTIVE THREAT:

- If it is safe to do so run out of the area. Get as far away as possible.
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HIDE

Action taken to seek immediate shelter indoors when emergency conditions do not warrant or allow evacuation, such as for severe weather.

- Take the time now to learn the different ways to seek shelter within your area **before** there is an emergency.
- If you are outside, proceed to the nearest protective building.
- If sheltering-in-place due to severe weather, proceed as outlined in the attached brochure.

ACTIVE THREAT:

- Lock or barricade your area.
 - Get to a place where the threat cannot see you.
 - Place cell phones on **silent**.
 - Do not make any noise.
 - Do not come out until you feel it is safe.
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FIGHT

Action taken as a last resort to increase your odds for survival.

ACTIVE THREAT:

- If you cannot run away safely or cannot hide, **be prepared to fight with anything available to increase your odds for survival.**
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Acknowledgement:

The purpose of this GEAP is to establish general emergency response procedures, and promote planning for GROA Owners. This GEAP should be reviewed, updated, and exercised.

The GROA Board supports this document for use by GROA Owners and support the emergency planning functions for our association's common grounds.

GROA Board of Directors
Effective 7.1.15



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Appendix A — Where to Go:

Evacuation Assembly

Evacuation Assembly Area — South Fork Pavilion is the location where all evacuees may convene in the event of a Resort emergency.

EXIT

HILL Exit — Designated route out of the Resort. Emergency GROA Gates in the event of an emergency. The Gates are located at: Briarwood, NorthFork, and ThornRidge (see attached HILL Exit map).



Rescue Assistance — An area where people, including those with functional needs, can go to await assistance if they are not able to evacuate or get to another area of safety. The SouthFork Pavilion and SouthFork Bathhouse.

1. Security patrol is owners self-identifying violations of the covenants, by-laws and GROA Rules & Regulations Handbook and reporting to the RR&B or Board for resolution and possible fines.

Storm Refuge Area — Follow the Illinois Disaster plan.

Appendix B — Clubhouse Shutdown

Procedures to be followed by directors who remain to operate records before they evacuate:

Board of Directors who may remain to shut down critical operations before evacuating

Certain equipment and processes must be shut down in stages or over time. In other instances it is not possible or practical for equipment or certain process to be shut down under certain emergency situations. Directors may remain behind briefly to operate fire extinguishers or shut down gas and/or electrical systems and other electronic equipment that could be damaged if left operating.

