

## **SARC Transmitter Hunt Rules and Boundaries**

The transmitter hunts will start at 11:00 AM on the third Saturday of every month at the Sunset Ridge Golf course parking lot at 1424 Fairway Dr in Santa Maria. The location is shown on the map below. Changes for holidays and other reasons will be mentioned in advance on this website and local nets.

The boundaries of the hunt are the area enclosed by Hwy 101 on the east, Clark Road on the South, Hwy 1 to the West, and the Santa Maria River to the North. These boundaries are shown on the map below. Boundaries may be expanded on the day of the hunt with unanimous concurrence of the participants.

All transmissions will occur on the T Hunt frequency of 146.565 MHz. A second comm. Channel or repeater may be used for communication. This will be coordinated the day of the hunt. Hopefully several hunts will happen each meeting.

The hider must hide within the boundaries. Once the transmission starts, it must be continuous with minor breaks for the hider to ask the status of the hunters. This will continue until all hunters have found the transmitter or all participants agree to meet at another starting point. The hider can transmit a dead carrier, but ham related content on the signal would be best. Of course the hider must identify every 10 minutes, and mention the T hunt in progress.

During the hide, location, power level, antenna position and polarization may not be altered. All hidden transmitters shall be within 50 feet of a publicly accessible paved road that can be reached by an ordinary passenger vehicle. Use of camouflage and portable transmitters is permissible and no prior warning is required as long as the other rules are followed. Use of public property for hidden transmitter locations is encouraged. If private property is used, it must clearly be in a place that would not cause any trespassing issues.

Hints about the hiding spot are discouraged. Any hint that would provide an unfair advantage to anybody is disallowed.

The first person to find the hidden transmitter is the winner and has the privilege of controlling the next hunt. They can either hide themselves or delegate the next hide to a person of their choosing.

