

# Brushfires of Freedom – Lake County Montana

Preparedness Survey Page 1 (level of interest 5 is highest)	Yes	No	Level of Interest (1-5)	Would like a Class
<b>COMMUNICATION</b>				
1. I own a battery or solar-powered AM/FM/Shortwave radio that has sideband capabilities.				
2. I own a 2-way radio system, either a CB, Family radio service, or General Mobile Radio Svc.				
3. Everyone in my family has a cell phone.				
<b>FOOD</b>				
4. I have stockpiled 30 days worth of canned foods for everyone in my family.				
5. I have 90 days worth of meals ready to eat, dehydrated food or a combination of both.				
6. I have 90 days worth of staples and condiments.				
7. I have a one-year, long-term food storage plan stockpiled for every one in my family. And this food is properly stored. (If not properly stored this one does not count)				
8. I rotate food, so that I am using and replenishing my long term storage food.				
9. I practice once-a-month buying or buy from a food coop.				
10. I have a backup cooking system, i.e., a Coleman cook stove or outdoor grill.				
<b>WATER</b>				
11. I have products stored to treat unclean water, i.e., bleach, iodine, aerobic oxygen, etc.				
12. I have a non-electric water purification system capable of 24 gallons a day.				
13. I have a small hand held non-electric water purification system.				
14. I have a 72 hr. supply of drinking water stored in my home.				
15. I have a 2 week supply of water stored on my property.				
16. I have 60 day supply of water stored on my property.				
<b>LOCATION</b>				
17. I have a relocation plan in the event of a disaster.				
18. I know my neighbors and know I could count on them in an emergency.				
<b>EMERGENCY SAFETY &amp; FIRE STARTERS</b>				
19. I have down comforter or extra blankets for every bed in my home.				
20. I own fire extinguishers and know how to use them.				
21. I have the appropriate fuel safely store.				
22. I have carbon monoxide detectors for use in an emergency.				
23. I have waterproof matches.				
24. I have other fire starters.				
25. I know first aid (CPR, Bleeding Control, Fracture splinting, vital signs)				
26. Everyone in my family has a pair of shoes that can easily be slipped on, in case of quick evacuation.				
<b>HEAT</b>				
27. I have a 2 sleeping bags, cold weather and summer, for every member of my family.				
28. I have smoke detectors installed in my home.				
29. I have backup fuel, such as wood, propane, gasoline, etc.				
30. I have a backup heating system, fire place, propane (etc.) space heater, wood burning stove, etc.				
<b>ALTERNATIVE ENERGY</b>				
31. I have flash lights in every bedroom.				
32. I have backup lighting, kerosene lamp, Coleman lamp, etc., in the event of a multi-day emergency.				
33. I have emergency long burning candles.				
34. I have extra batteries, enough to light all my flash lights for 60 days. And to play my shortwave/AM/FM radio for 60 days.				
35. I own a generator and know how to use it in an emergency.				
36. My home is completely off the grid. (You just made an A on this Quiz!)				

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<b>PERSONAL FINANCES</b>				
37. I have \$1,000 in emergency cash. It is tucked away where I have 24 hr. access to it, even if the electricity is off.				
38. I have an Emergency Fund with at least 3 months worth of living expenses in it.				
39. I have no consumer debt, including car loans.				
40. I have at least 20 % of my portfolio in precious metals.				
41. I am self-employed.				
<b>HEALTH</b>				
42. I have a chemical or organic toilet. (and I know how to use it!)				
43. I have a 30 day stockpile of prescription medications.				
44. I have a 60 day stockpile of prescription medications.				
45. I have a 60 day stockpile of over-the-counter medications.				
46. I take vitamin, mineral and herbal supplements daily.				
47. I exercise routinely in order to maintain my physical health.				
48. I eat an organic health food diet, only organic meat, no hormones.				
<b>HOME SECURITY</b>				
49. I own a dog (the bigger and meaner looking the better).				
50. My yard is fenced.				
51. I have deadbolts on my doors and all my windows have locks.				
52. I have a burglar alarm system and activate it before going to bed each night.				
53. I own a gun and I know how to use it.				
54. I own at least a 1000 rounds of ammunition for every gun in my home.				
55. I have a written medical emergency response plan.				
56. I have a written home invasion plan, including an outside perimeter with booby traps.				
57. I have communicated these plans to my family and drilled them on the execution.				
58. I have established a safe room in my house.				
<b>Total Yes Answers</b>				
Give yourself 5 extra points if you have a Gas Mask and 5 more points if you have MOPP (Mission Oriented Protective Postures) Gear				
<b>Total Score</b>				

## Scoring Yourself - Count Yes Answers as one

The scoring below will give you an indication of your level of preparedness so you are not reliant on the government. If your scores are low, don't worry. This is an opportunity to begin the process of getting prepared.

47-58 Prepared and Self-Reliant. You may have some areas you still need to address, but you have achieved what hardly anyone every does! Count yourself among the likes of Noah! You are independent with will minimal dependence on external infrastructures.

38-46 Almost Prepared and Self-Reliant. You are well on your way! You have taken major steps to obtain independence and just need to address those areas where you are still to dependent on outside infrastructures and systems.

29-37 Moving toward Preparedness. You are at least aware of self-reliance and emergency preparedness issues. You have taken some steps to free of yourself of external dependencies. What you need now is a plan and the know-how to gl all the way.

20-28 Too Dependent. You are still more dependent on the system than you need to be. You are no different than millions of others who are dependent on others in a crisis.

11-19 Dangerously Dependent. You are not totally dependent, but you are close. If you experience a crisis, your lifestyle will be seriously disrupted.

0-10 Totally Dependent. You are totally dependent on things outside your control for your own physical well-being. You are just an emergency away from personal disaster.

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<b>Self Reliance Survey – Page 1</b> (level of interest 5 is highest) Tell us which of the following topics you'd like to know about	Yes	No	Level of Interest (1-5)	Would like a Class
<b>COMMUNICATION</b>				
1. Acquiring a Ham radio license				
2. A plan of communication in the event of martial law				
3. Alternative methods of communication in the absence of phones, television, internet				
4. Other (Specify)				
<b>FOOD AND WATER</b>				
5 Gardening				
6. Composting				
7. Saving seeds				
8. Garden irrigation				
9. Greenhouses				
10 Cold Frames				
11 Preserving food				
12 Cooking food from storage				
13 Butchering animals, rendering lard, smoking and preserving the meat				
14 Water purification and storage				
15 Food inventory and storage systems				
16 Root cellars and cold storage systems				
17 Balanced nutrition during difficult times				
18 Hunting				
19 Fishing				
20. Beekeeping				
22 Dutch Oven Cooking				
23. Wine making				
24. Making pasta, bread, sour dough starters				
25. How to make your own dehydrator				
26. Other (Specify)				
<b>MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL PREPAREDNESS</b>				
27. I'm interested in participating in preparedness drills				
28. Would participate in a preparedness library of resources				
29. Would like to hear more about the importance of being mentally and spiritually prepared				
30. How to overcome the mental barriers to becoming prepared or to live in difficult times				
31. How to develop a preparedness plan for your family				
32. I'd like to learn how to prepare a 72 Hour kit or Bug Out Bag				
33. Other (Specify)				
<b>LOCATION AND HOME SECURITY</b>				
34. Preparing your home for disaster				
35. Establishing a network of neighbors to rely on in difficult times				
36. Home security				
37. Home invasion plan				
38. Safe rooms				
39. Alarm systems				
40. Gun use and safety				
41. Basic home repairs				
42. Other (Specify)				
<b>EMERGENCY SAFETY &amp; FIRE STARTERS</b>				
43. Fire extinguisher use				
44. Fuel Storage Tips and Safety				
45. Other (Specify)				

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<b>Self Reliance Survey – Page 2</b> (level of interest 5 is highest) Tell us which of the following topics you'd like to know about	Yes	No	Level of Interest (1-5)	Would like a Class
<b>HEAT</b>				
46. Wood stoves and other back up heating systems				
47. Harvesting your own wood				
48. Fire Starting				
49. Other (Specify)				
<b>ALTERNATIVE ENERGY</b>				
50. Lighting options for your home				
51. What to do without a refrigerator				
52. Solar energy and other alternative energy sources				
53. How to use a generator				
54. Living off the grid				
55. Other (Specify)				
<b>PERSONAL FINANCES</b>				
56. How to prepare with a limited budget				
57. The best investments to make in preparation for difficult times				
58. How to get out of debt and establish an emergency fund				
59. Local Barter and Economy System				
60. Skills to have during difficult times				
61. Other (Specify)				
<b>HEALTH</b>				
62. Emergency First Aid and CPR				
63. Alternative Medicine				
64. Putting together and adequate first aid kit for your home and car				
65. Physical Health for emergency situations				
66. Dental care				
67. A community medical emergency response plan				
68. Other (Specify)				
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
69. Alternative Transportation				
70. GPS Navigating				
71. Caching				
72. Tools for self reliance				
73. Other (Specify)				
74. Other (Specify)				
75. Other (Specify)				
<b>COMMENTS –</b> Please let us know what you think about this project and what we might be able to do to make it better				