**Land Scenario One**

Victim:

* 12-year-old male
* Autistic
* Out walking with family on a popular bush track
* Family – 2 x parents & 2 siblings (younger)
* Disappeared off track whilst parents distracted by the siblings

Ground:

* Bush track
* Sidles along side of hill, cresting at low saddle between two watersheds.
* Track parallels above a reasonable sized creek.
* Track intersected by several small creeks / watercourses
* Start Point for walk was from large carpark
* End Point at a picnic area over saddle in next watershed
* Track is popular with families
* Foot traffic in both directions on track
* Number of cars in carpark suggest number of people are in the area

Weather:

* Autumn
* Fine, sunny and calm

Day of Week:

* Sunday afternoon (reported)
* Left carpark at 1000hrs.

Informant:

* Mother of missing boy
* Ringing from Carpark.

Party Intentions:

* Departed carpark at 1000hrs
* Lunch @ river 1230hrs
* Leave river @1400hrs
* Return to car by 1600hrs

Action by Parents:

* Mother and 2 siblings walked out to carpark from PLS.
* No cellphone coverage at PLS and marginal in the carpark.
* PLS about an hour up the track
* PLS marked
* Father remained in the area searching

**Land Scenario One**

Injects – Containment (Carpark / Staging area)

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| **Information** | **Instruction** |
| Members of the Public who have heard the Media Release are starting to arrive and offer their assistance (3 so far) |  |
| What is your advice for the mother of missing lad, she is still here with her other two children? |  |
| Media Reps have arrived at the Carpark, what is your advice? |  |

Injects – AREC Challenges

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| **Challenge** | **Resolution** |
| Comms have been marginal in this area in the past | @ least 1 repeater required Optimal would be 2 repeaters |
| **DOC Channel** * Is it available
* Do we have permission to use
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| **1st Repeater** * Will need to be transported to optimum site either by foot (require 2 SAR members to carry in and install)
* Likely 2-hour delay until it comes on line, or,
* Use chopper, 15 min delay until it comes on line (could be done by AREC member)
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| **2nd Repeater*** Optimum site on Private land
* Who owns the land
* Could permission be sought, from the landowner, to set up the repeater
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Parent Responses

Provide if parent is contacted

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| **Questions to Parent** | **Answer** |
| What was he wearing | Align to season of the IMTEX season |
| What is he carrying | Nothing, no back pack  |
| Is he familiar with the area | Been on this track twice before to our intended destination |
| Physical Health / Meds | Energetic and not on any medication |
| Vision | Doesn’t wear glasses |
| Is he verbal or non-verbal | Verbal but can be hard to understand at times |
| Does he have a cell phone | No |
| How has he been lately | Lately he has been good |
| Does he have a history of elopement | Yes, some months ago he went missing from home and was found about 3kms away |
| What physical features is he attracted to?  | Water and high spots with a view |
| Other fixations | Water mainly |
| What is his reaction to change | Ok with a gradual introduction |
| Does he have any typical behaviours | Tends to hide |
| How does he respond to injury | Tends to remain quiet which in itself is a clue that things are not right |
| Best calming techniques if he is upset | Calming male or female voice |
| Response to being touched | Avoids generally , he’s not a cuddly sort, although he is likely to be quite clingy to me or his father when we find him |
| Does he have a Wanda Track Device | Yes but he wasn’t wearing it because he was with us. |

Responses to Media Release

Provide if a media release has been provided

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| ` | **Informant** | **Information** |
| **Response 1** | Male Tramper (cell phone) | * Heard media release on car radio on way home. Remembers coming past family, approximately 45 minutes from the end of the track.
* There were two adults and two children.
* The children looked about 9 & 10 years old.
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| **Response 2** | Female Tramper (cell phone) | * Heard Media release on Radio, remembers coming past family, approximately 40 minutes from the end of the track.
* 2 adults and three children
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| **Response 3** | Male Tramper (landline) | * I have been at home an hour. I live 30 minutes from the carpark at the start of the track.
* I saw a boy answering the description on the track, a little ahead of the parents.
* This was about an hour give or take five minutes from the Carpark end of the track.
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Dept of Conservation Responses

Provide if DoC is contacted

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| **Questions** | **Answers** |
| Alert Duty Officer to SARQP |  |
| Any idea of the number of people in the area, ie, booked in Huts | No Hutt bookings in this area, weekends in recent months have seen good numbers of people going across the track |
| Hazards in area | Some recent wind fall has meant some small deviations from the track in places |
| Any previous knowledge of the victim or family |  |
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Met Service Responses

Provide if Met Service is contacted

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|  | **Questions** | **Answers** |
| **1st Query** | Request weather prediction for the Area in question | Current modelling suggests weather will deteriorate overnight and during the next 24 hours, some rain and wind with a low of 8 degrees |
| **2nd Query** | As above, any change? | Definitely going to be rain, the intensity is the unknown at this time, current modelling suggests it will be more than light rain. |
| **3rd Query** | As above | The low is stronger than originally thought, there will be heavy rain in the next 12 hours |
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