**Gold Hill Radio Watch**

**GMRS Programmed Channels + Radio Stations for Scanning**

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| **Channel** | **Abbrev.** | **Description** |
| 23 | Banner | **Banner Mountain Repeater** A public repeater and our only accessible repeater. Everyone within 80 mi diameter can hear it. Allows us to hear and transmit to the broader community. We can use it for outgoing messages, such as to find someone with cell service who can help make a call for an ambulance. |
| 24 | Lt Tree | **Light Tree Repeater** A private (closed) GMRS repeater in Nevada City (possible future use). |
| 25 | Sierra | **Sierra Repeater** A GMRS repeater located near Sierra City. Likely not reachable from Grass Valley, but may be useful if closer to that location. |
| 26 | NCSO W | **Sheriff West County** (our area) Involved in any kind of emergency. Mostly covers the county’s unincorporated area (outside cities). |
| 27 | NCSO E | **Sheriff East County** (i.e., Truckee) Same as West County |
| 28 | NCFO W | **Fire Dispatch** Can help us get a sense of whether a fire emergency is ramping up (requests for more equipment, etc.) or ramping down (releases of equipment, etc.), among other things. |
| 29 | GV ECC | **Grass Valley Emergency Command Center**  A CalFire center that provides all risk, command and control dispatch services to fire and emergency medical service (EMS) agencies in Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Plumas, and Yuba counties. Provides dispatch services to over 30 agencies including Sierra Nevada Ambulance, as well as air ambulance helicopters. Typically, the routine fire, police, and medical calls heard on the channel will be local.  <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5RXU8Eduhz0> |
| 30 | Ham1 | **Ham Radio Repeater at Banner Mountain**  Amateur radio operator communications using their dedicated repeater, also on Banner Mountain. Can listen only. |
| 89.5 FM | KVMR | KVMR is the county’s official Emergency Broadcast System. Selected by pressing the top button on left side of radio, which gets you to FM radio, then press the Scan button to scan to 89.5 FM. Press Menu to store that station in memory. Press left side button again to exit. |
| 162.400 | NOAA Weather | Hold the Band button down for 2 seconds, which gets you to the NOAA station. Use the channel/frequency knob or arrow keys to navigate to a preferred NOAA station. Our local station is at 162.400. Or you can use the Scan button. The most recently selected station will be remembered. Hold the Band button again for 2 seconds to exit. |