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After a meeting of the APRS Working Group at the DCC in Phoenix, we were able to announce yesterday (Friday) that the draft of the long-awaited APRS Protocol Specification V1.0 will be completed and handed over to Greg Jones by 2359 on Tuesday, September 28 (note: the time zone was not specified :-)). Greg will format the document and have it available at the TAPR web site by the end of the week. He will post the specifics, including the URL of the new APRS Working Group web page, when the document is ready to go.

As a reminder of the process, once the draft is posted, there will be a public comment period. The authors will take the comments into account in finalizing version 1.0 of the APRS Protocol Specification.

Since we are trying to establish a baseline that documents the current on-the-air protocol, this round of comments will be limited to inaccuracies or omissions of the draft's description of the current protocol. Comments requesting changes or extensions to the protocol need to wait until after version 1.0 is finalized.

The comment process and timeline will be outlined at the APRS Working Group web page.

A new list called, APRSSPEC will be created to handle discussion of the spec so they can be archived.

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