Advice on Being Prepared for BugOut

National Guard forced all people out of their grid locked vehicles and put them onto buses which took them to the airport for transport. Gone were all the survival goods that the family had packed. Granted, they were not survivalists and only packed family mementos, but if they had, the survival goods would have been forced to be left behind in the car. The National Guard were armed and ready to shoot if the people did not comply. "The needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few."

If there is a need for an emergency bug out and you are an urban resident, how are you going to leave in time to avoid the traffic jam and gridlock that will surely occur? I am not being factitious; I am truly posing this question to this NG for discussion.

I will survive,
Gene

I had the same thought. I am going to rent a storage locker near my bug out site and keep my food storage/ammunition storage/etc there and include my bicycle in my truck when heading for my 70 mile away bug out site. I could think of nothing else worse than sitting in that situation. My bug out site is a 12 acre mountain property with a partially completed cabin on it. Worse case I could walk to it in 2-3 days. Survive!
Gary

Hello...

As someone who has a slant on this issue, the first thing I urge you to do is stay current with factual, unbiased news sources. It is essential to see the writing on the wall before the sheep see it.

Have 2, 3, or perhaps 4 routes pre-planned and reconnoitered well in advance. Stay off the main highways and do not have your survival goodies visible in your vehicles. Never let your gas tank drop below half, and always keep the vehicle well-maintained.

Always carry at least three hundred dollars in (twenties?) small bills for any sudden purchases that may crop up. If you do need to get to your retreat due to civil unrest or a socio-economic upheaval; the 300.00 will buy quite a bit of canned veggies, top ramen soups, MRE's or whatever you might need more of.

If you work in a large metro area and have your family in the burbs, pre-arrange what will transpire if the roles are reversed and the strife occurs in the burbs and not the city. Have a meeting place set up and pre-arrange what gear the burb dweller will bring.

If you have the luxury of having a bug-out retreat that is relatively safe, maintain 80% of your gear there...cleverly concealed in camouflaged rooms or cache's around the property. NEVER share your arrangements or survival plans to anyone who is not of our ilk.

If you have a location selected but do not own property there, make several trips to the area at various times through-out the year, so the locals get to recognize you and your vehicles. Get to know the local grocer, realtor, home construction laborers, and sporting goods store owner...these folks will
probably be the most well-known in the town and the mere knowledge of names and occupations may get you through the highway blockades which are sure to spring up when the strife transpires.

Stay current in your 6 month dental appointments, stay current in tetanus and hepatitis precautions, first aid retaining, CPR, skills related to fishing, firearms proficiency, food acquisition, and 'blending' with others who may not necessarily be your educational peers.

If your State has license plates that bear some indication of your community or county, you might want to consider going to a junk-yard and buying a set of the local plates. If you are bugging to a different State, ditto. Do not don a business suit if you are driving in a logging type environment. Wear a flannel shirt and an old baseball hat. You will look the part and avert nervous locals to more obvious strangers.

My friends, as one who has been prepared for a number of years, I feel we are on the brink of a re-structuring in our Country. I might recommend you look toward the Militia movement or any group that supports the second amendment. Get to know others who believe in our American way of life and in self-reliance. Be a good neighbor and an honest person. Give others the benefit of the doubt unless you factually know otherwise.

Just my two cents.

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Don't trust the Government. Don't trust Corruption.