When the Internet has been lost here is a script to play a voice file. Thank you Danny K5CG for sharing the original bash script that I used and modified slightly and all others who replied to my question on hamvoip forum. I used the rpt.conf tailmessage which is heard only when repeater is in use. tailmessagetime=180000 ; Play a tail message every 3 mins (180000) tailsquashedtime=60000 ; If squashed by a user TX, try again after 60 seconds (60000) tailmessagelist=/tmp/AUTOSKY/WXA/wx-tail,/etc/asterisk/local/announcements/offline I made a tts audio file called "offline" and created announcements directory. here is the bash script located in /etc/asterisk/local i called it internet.sh after making it i ran chmod +x internet.sh wget -q --spider [http://google.com/ | http://google.com] # if the test fails and the tmp file does not exist if [\$? -gt 0] -a [! -f /tmp/internetdown]; then # play the message cp /etc/asterisk/local/offline.ul /etc/asterisk/local/announcements/offline.ul # create the flag touch /tmp/internetdown else # internet is back online rm -f /etc/asterisk/local/announcements/offline.ul # remove the flag rm -f /tmp/internetdown fi

I then ran crontab -e and added the script to run every minute

*/1 * * * * /etc/asterisk/local/internet.sh

It's working nicely and does the job without being annoying. Dave WA2KJC