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HOW TO FILL OUT THIS REPORT

Share real-world experiences so others can learn, prepare, and adapt.
Be accurate, concise, and honest. Photos are optional but encouraged.

REPORT TITLE

THE YEAR I LET MY GARDEN REST

CATEGORY (Select One)

LOCATION

Southeastern US

DATE OF ACTIVITY

Spring

TIME TO EXECUTE

Spring / Summer

DURATION

Entire Growing Season

CONDITIONS

Low Input / Minimal Intervention

SEASON

FALL

TEAM SIZE (If Applicable)

Solo

TOTAL PACK WEIGHT

DISTANCE COVERED

N/A

ELEVATION RANGE

800'

ASSESSED SITUATION

Describe the environment, context, and situation.

After seven years of gardening, I chose not to actively plant most of my 25' x 25' garden this season. Inspired partly by the biblical concept of letting land rest, I cleared the majority of invasive weeds and decided to observe what established plants and volunteer growth would naturally return with minimal intervention.

RECOGNIZED PROBLEM

What challenges or risks did you identify?

- Removed large invasive weeds manually
- Did not till or fully reset the garden beds
- Avoided purchasing new seeds for most sections
- Allowed volunteer plants to emerge naturally
- Continued minimal maintenance only where necessary
- Monitored which plants demonstrated strong reseeding behavior and natural resilience

ACTION TAKEN

What steps did you take? Include gear, techniques, and strategies.

- Cleared invasive weeds manually
- Left most soil undisturbed
- Avoided planting new crops
- Allowed volunteer growth to emerge
- Monitored natural reseeding activity

KEY FINDINGS / RESULTS

What happened? What worked? What didn't?

Strawberries expanded aggressively with little maintenance. Lemon balm began spreading rapidly throughout sections of the garden. Thyme naturally sprouted across multiple beds. Weed pressure dropped significantly after initial clearing. The garden is now entering a new observation phase as mid-May rains arrive and dormant volunteer growth begins emerging.

LESSONS LEARNED

What would you do again, do differently, or tell others to know?

Some perennial plants become more resilient over time. Minimal intervention can still support food and herb production. Clearing weeds alone may allow dormant plants to re-emerge naturally. Observation can sometimes be more valuable than over-management. Low-input gardening may provide sustainable food resilience during hardship.

FIELD VALUE ASSESSMENT

Rate the overall value of this intel for other preppers.

RISK LEVEL
(To Self)

REPEATABILITY
(Can others do this?)

PRACTICAL VALUE
(How useful is this?)

DIFFICULTY
(Skill / Effort Required)

RESOURCE COST
(Low to High)

OVERALL VALUE
(Would you do this again?)

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PHOTOS (OPTIONAL BUT ENCOURAGED)

Real images help others learn. Add up to 4 photos.

FINAL VERDICT

In one or two sentences, sum up the value of this experience.

This experiment reinforced that resilience does not always come from doing more. Allowing established plants to adapt naturally may produce more sustainable long-term results than aggressive yearly cultivation.

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