

AM Switch



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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC, CRTC, and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old Call</u>		<u>New Call</u>
1070	WIWS	WV Beckley	WBKW
1190	WBIS	MD Annapolis	WCRW
1290	NEW	UT Santa Clara	KNFC



CONSTRUCTION PERMITS ON THE AIR

1040	WZNA	PR Moca – CP for U4	9000/250 is now on.
1490	KGFR	MT Malmstrom AFB – Is now on the air with U1	1000/580 at 47-28-45/111-14-28. Malmstrom AFB is at Great Falls [location correction from last issue]

ACTIONS

580	KUZZ	CA Bakersfield – Coordinate correction to 35-20-25/118-56-19.
1460	NEW	WI Shawano – Construction Permit (CP) granted for U4 1000/620, sharing the two towers of co-owned WTCH-960 at 44-46-51/88-37-52. Both patterns are elliptical, headed to the northeast.
1550	NEW	CO Golden – CP for U2 5000/250 from two towers at 39-43-46/105-14-09. The 'array' will consist of an existing 105' tower with an additional folded unipole added. The night pattern will be kidney-shaped with the lobes headed north-northeast and south-southwest with the null to the east-southeast.

APPLICATIONS

610	WLVE	VA Winchester – Applies for U2 380/500.
790	KBRV	ID Soda Springs – Licensed for U1 5000/29, KBRV applied for U7 50000/27 CH 50000 on 800 kHz which was dismissed. Now they have applied for U1 10000/150 CH 10000, once again on 800.
1560	KGOW	TX Bellaire – Applies for U4 43000/15000.

APPLICATION AMENDMENTS

1590	KLRK	TX Mexia – Licensed for U1 500/128, KLRK applied for U1 2500/72. This amendment requests U1 2500/65.
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APPLICATIONS REINSTATED

1550	NEW	TX Midland – Application for U4 50000/300.
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DISMISSALS AND DELETIONS

1050	KLOH	MN Pipestone – Application for U4 9380/410. KLOH remains U4 9380/432.
1180	NEW	OR Jacksonville – Having initially applied for U2 50000/4900, the applicant for this new station then applied for U2 50000/1300. The initial application has been deleted.
1250	WLRT	KY Nicholasville – Construction Permit for U1 700/45. WLRT remains U1 500/59.
1460	KBRZ	TX Missouri City – Application for U5 10000/112. KBRZ remains U1 5000/125.



AM on FM

1380	WMJR	KY Nicholasville – W235AK 94.9 Lexington
1460	KKOY	KS Chanute – K247AT 97.3 Chanute
1590	KLRK	TX Mexia – K221FI 92.1 Mexia

✿ Thanks to: YOU for reading! Hopefully next week there'll be more news to report.

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Pacific/Mtn/Central Time Zones. All times ELT.

Reporters


- DB-NE Daniel Bartek, Jr. Omaha, NE
 FO-OK Forest Osborn, Hooker, OK Chevrolet Silverado factory-installed radio, IC-R70, Hammarlund HQ-150, 4 foot loop and 200 foot LW.
 JDS-MN Jeff Steffes, Watertown, MN Drake R8, Kenwood R-2000, Quantum QX Loop
 JW-CO John Wilkins, Wheat Ridge, CO Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop.
 KDF-IL Karl D. Forth, Chicago, IL Sangean ATS-909, Tecsun PL-310
 RV-TX Robert Vance, El Paso, TX WinRadio G303e/PD, 12'x9' unterminated corner-fed N-S loop, 3 sq. meter amplified air loop
 SMA-MB Shawn M. Axelrod VE4DX1SMA Winnipeg, MB Icom IC-70, Drake R8; 4 foot unamplified box loop; Quantum Loop; 155 foot outdoor wire' 100 foot indoor wire; MFJ 1060 phasing unit.
 WH-CO Wayne Heinen, Aurora, CO Kiwa Loop, Drake R8B, E/W Flag, N/S Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo w/DX Engineering RPA-1 preamp and Mini DXP5.

Station News

- 590 KXSP NE Omaha – Per local TV advertising and call to the station on 1/24, station was due to switch to ESPN (ex-Fox Sports) on February 1. Checking station web site (am590espnradio.com, formerly bigsports590.com) today (2/1), they are in fact promoting themselves as ESPN. FCC database shows call letters unchanged as KXSP. (DB-NE)

DX Loggings (All Times ELT)

- 540 WXYG MN Sauk Rapids – 2/1 1753 – Out of song *Dream Police*, Cheap Trick “Five-Forty WXYG, the G.” Looked up on internet, new station, may be in test mode. (JDS-MN)
 KNMX NM Las Vegas – 2/2 0759 – Latino music; EE ID at 0802, then three minutes of CNN news; back to music at 0805 after this announcement: “You’re listening to the only five-time Station of the Year – Regional Radio 5000 watts 540 KNMX”. Fair/good with a bit of QRM and fading. (JW-CO)
 550 WSAU WI Wausau – 1/27 1628 – Fair in KTRS null w/political talk and WSAU, “Newstalk 550” and FM 99.9 mentions, local news, Channel 7 weather, local ads, Sean Hannity. Unusual daytime conditions noticed earlier in the day with car radio reception of far northern Michigan. (KDF-IL)
 560 WEBC MN Duluth – 1/30 0759 – Out of *NFL Preview* into local commercials, followed by “ESPN Radio Five-Sixty WEBC.” (JDS-MN)
 570 KLIF TX Dallas – 1/23 0535 – Fair w/promos for station programming; “...on Talk Radio 570, KLIF.” then back into *Coast-to-Coast*. (RV-TX)
 ++ 2/3 1903 – Out of news, including story of school closings due to cold weather “AM Five-Seventy KLIF.” (JDS-MN)
 600 KCOL CO Wellington – 1/30 1532 – Fox news, Fort Collins weather, ad for One-Hour Heating and Cooling, Then call letter ID at 1535. (FO-OK)
 CKAT ON North Bay – 2/1 1818 – Out of Sports Ticker “AM 600 CKAT” into local commercials with references to North Bay, into “North Bay’s sports leader AM Six Hundred CKAT,” followed by *Prime Time Sports*. (JDS-MN)
 650 KGAB WY Orchard Valley – 1/30 1536 – On top of frequency with talk show. (FO-OK)
 700 KSEV TX Tomball – 2/1 1842 – Out of *The Dan Patrick Show*, “AM Seven-Hundred KSEV, the voice of Texas.” (JDS-MN)
 710 WOR NY New York – 1/31 1940 – Brief fade up in a mess for stations with clear WOR ID local ads and back into political talk. Never thought I would get this one. NEW! (SMA-MB)
 740 KVOX ND Fargo – 1/30 0848 – Out of *Race Day* on Fox Sports Radio, “Seven-Forty The Fan” followed by local commercials with reference to Fargo. (JDS-MN)

- CFZM ON **Toronto** – 2/3 1956 – Nostalgia tunes on program "Sentimental Journey" hosted by Frank Proctor, who announced the previous song titles and threw out a "Zoomer Radio" slogan. Have never heard call letters given on this station. Fair with QRM and fading. **(JW-CO)**
- 770 KKOB NM **Albuquerque** – 2/1 1900 – ToH Station ID: "KKOB Albuquerque" into news with references to Albuquerque. **(JDS-MN)**
- 790 KXXX KS **Colby** – 2/1 1913 – Out of song: *Don't Be Cruel* "K Triple X" followed by song: *Life's Highway*. **(JDS-MN)**
- 850 KOA CO **Denver** – 2/2 1811 – Out of weather and traffic report "News radio Eight-Fifty KOA, Four-Eleven on the ride home." **(JDS-MN)**
- 890 WLS IL **Chicago** – 1/8 0305 – Faded up w/the tail end of ABC news and ID "... information 24/7 ... Chicago's 890 AM, WLS" (with the CL sung in the traditional WLS manner), then weather from the Weather Channel and back to George Noory. **(RV-TX)**
- KDXU UT **St. George** – 1/8 0300 – Faded up enough to catch a portion of the TOH ID "... #1 for news ... Newstalk 890, KDXU, St George" Mixing with R. Progreso-Cuba and presumed KVOZ-TX. **(RV-TX)**
- 930 KIUP CO **Granby** – 1/21, 0500 – Snatched part of the TOH ID " ...AM-930, KIUP, Granby." Fair during the five seconds that it stood out from the rest. **(RV-TX)** *But KIUP is in Durango CO; the Granby station is KRKY. Which one? - DY.*
- KOGA NE **Ogallala** – 1/21, 0200 – Caught part of ID: "AM-930, KOGA, Ogallala," then into ABC News. Poor in the GY-like mess that I have on this freq. **(RV-TX)**
- CJCA AB **Edmonton** – 2/3 1959 – Last two minutes of "Hope for Today" program; ID at 2000:40 by man: "This is AM 930 The Light. CJCA Edmonton is owned and operated by Trans Canada Broadcasting"; more religious programming followed. Fairly good signal, topping others. **(JW-CO)**
-  950 KNFT NM **Bayard** – 1/27 0058 – Poor in fade-up during Gloria Gaynor-*I Will Survive*, then TOH ID "Greatest hits of the 60's and 70's; Oldies 950, KNFT, Bayard-Silver City-Lordsburg," then back under. **(RV-TX)**
- 970 KBUL MT **Billings** – 1/27 1125 – Poor under WDAY, "... KBUL Billings ..." and into Fox News. **(WH-CO)**
- 1000 WMVP IL **Chicago** – 2/2 1854 – Commercials with references to Chicago, into "ESPN Radio 1000" followed by 2 male announcer talking sports, into "WMVP AM Chicago." **(JDS-MN)**
- 1010 KIHU UT **Tooele** – 2/2 1755 – Immaculate Heart station ID, then call letter ID at 1800, ad for Faith Database.com. First time heard with call change to KIHU. **(FO-OK)**
- 1030 KTWO WY **Casper** – 2/2 1909 – "AM Ten-Thirty K-Two Radio" followed by commercials, then fades out. **(JDS-MN)**
- 1050 WTKA MI **Ann Arbor** – 2/4 1755 – Station ID: "WTKA Ann Arbor" followed by local commercials including Legacy Assisted Living of Ann Arbor. **(JDS-MN)**
- CHUM ON **Toronto** – 1/29 1820 – Out of live report from Chinese New Year celebration "CP Twenty-Four, radio Ten-Fifty" into news update with references to Toronto. **(JDS-MN)**
- 1060 WLNO LA **New Orleans** – 2/4 1812 – Out of program: *Another View, The New Christian Ministry*. "This is Ten-Sixty WLNO, thanks for listening." **(JDS-MN)**
- KGFX SD **Pierre** – 2/1 0855 – Older C&W tunes (Dolly Parton, Jim Reeves); man with legal ID at 0900: "South Dakota's pioneer radio station, on the air since 1916(?), 1060 KGFX Pierre, a member of them Dakota Radio Group"; ABC news was up next. Fair/good with local KRCX mostly nulled. **(JW-CO)**
- 1070 KWCH KS **Wichita** – 1/28 1656 – Wichita weather, oldies and new call sign, over KFAB. Heard on my Chevy Silverado radio while working. **(FO-OK)** DXing while on the clock? If you were on my staff, you'd like win employee of the year or something. **(JDT-WA)** *FCC database still has them as KLIO as of 2/5. KWCH is Channel 12 in Wichita; maybe that's where the weather forecast came from? - DY*
- 1150 KSAL KS **Salina** – 1/22 0712 – Station ID: "News radio Eleven-Fifty KSAL" followed by weather, into commercials, followed by guest discussing the homeless. **(JDS-MN)**
- 1180 WHAM NY **Rochester** – 1/22 0729 – "News radio Eleven-Eighty WHAM," into local commercials, followed by "Good morning, eleven degrees with the sun coming up in downtown Rochester," into news. **(JDS-MN)**

- 1190 WOWO IN Fort Wayne – 1/22 0740 – Out of interview with local political figure Holly Hughes with references to Fort Wayne “News Talk Eleven-Ninety WoWo.” (JDS-MN)
- KVSV KS Beloit – 1/29 0835 – Ads, call letter ID, then “Educational Spotlight,” featuring a local high school. Generally fair. (JW-CO)
- CFSL SK Weyburn – 1/29 0839 – Weather (high of -22), lumber yard ad, “AM 1190” tags, C&W music. Fair in QRM. (JW-CO)
- 1210 WJNL MI Kingsley – 1/27 1700 – Good w/WJML-1110 & WJNL ID, CBS news, weather, restaurant ad, Laura Ingraham program. (KDF-IL)
- 1220 CJRB MB Boissevain – 1/31 0800 – “CJRB News” commencing. Poor in KLDC null. (JW-CO)
- 1240 WENK TN Union City – 1/28 0101 – WENK-WTPR ID popped up one minute after WSBC sign off. (KDF-IL)
- 1250 KBRF MN Fergus Falls – 1/22 0822 – Weather report ending with “Right now, fifteen below,” followed by “AM Twelve-Fifty KBRF.” (JDS-MN)
- 1290 KKAR NE Omaha – 2/2 2124 – Out of Omaha Lancers hockey play-by-play, into local commercials and Station ID: “Twelve-Ninety, K-KAR.” (JDS-MN)
- 1300 KGLO IA Mason City – 2/2 2132 – Iowa Hawkeyes vs. Michigan State basketball, into local commercials, followed by Station ID: “KGLO” back to basketball. (JDS-MN)
- 1310 KFKA CO Greeley – 1/26 1853 – Call letter ID, “here in the state of Colorado.” Colorado news about not having to prove citizenship to vote. (FO-OK)
- 1380 KLIZ MN Brainerd – 2/3 1751 – News with references to Brainerd, into local commercials, followed by weather including sunny and 22 degrees. “That’s the weather on KLIZ AM, The Fan.” (JDS-MN)
- KHEY TX El Paso – 1/27 1035 – “El Paso sports radio and sports radio 13-80.” Also heard on Chevy radio. (FO-OK)
- 1400 KSRR UT Provo – 1/20 0500 – Out of NOS Music, “1400 K-Star is KSRR Provo” and straight into more NOS music. (WH-CO)
- 1410 KGSO KS Wichita – 1/27 1047 – “Sports radio in Wichita.” Also on Chevy radio. (FO-OK)
- 1430 CHKT ON Toronto – 1/25 1847 – Man and woman having conversation in Chinese? (JDS-MN)
- 1450 KGIW CO Alamosa – 1/22 1000 – “... have a great weekend everyone. You're listening to AM 1450 KGIW Alamosa,” nice fade up. (WH-CO)
- 1460 WBOG WI Tomah – 2/3 1813 – Out of song *Come and Get It*, Badfinger “AM Fourteen-Sixty WBOG.” (JDS-MN)
- 1470 KWSL IA Sioux City – 1/20 2309 – Out of Oldies with stations promos by listeners. “... right now on 1470 KWSL.” (WH-CO)
- KYYW TX Abilene – 1/20 0800 – Out of local ag talk, “Broadcasting for over 70 years this is Abilene's oldest radio station, NewsTalk 1470 KYYW,” to ABC News. (WH-CO)
- 1490 WLFN WI La Crosse – 2/3 1823 – Out of song: *Crazy*, Patsy Kline “AM Fourteen-Ninety WLFN,” followed by song: *American Pie*, Don McLean. (JDS-MN)
- 1530 WCKY OH Cincinnati – 1/29 1959 – Out of *ESPN Sports Center Saturday*, “This is Fifteen-Thirty WCKY, Cincinnati’s sports radio.” (JDS-MN)
- 1550 KIVA NM Albuquerque – 1/27 1050 – Ad for business in Rio Rancho (Alb. suburb), ad for Abby Carpet Co., ad for Asian Cafe @ 1052. Again on Chevy radio. (FO-OK)
- 1580 KREL CO Colorado Springs – 1/27 1100 – Stock market reports, report on Colorado stocks, Radio Colorado ID. Also on Chevy radio. (FO-OK)
- 1600 KYBC AZ Cottonwood – 1/2 0900 – CL ID at TOH “KYBC Cottonwood, AM-1600 ...”; then gone under KXEW-AZ and KRKE-NM. (RV-TX)
- 1660 KXTR KS Kansas City – 1/25 1922 – Out of classical music; “This is KXTR” back to classical music. (JDS-MN)
- 1670 WTDY WI Madison – 2/3 1857 – Out of *Rewind (This Day In History)* “Madison Sixteen-Seventy WTDY.” (JDS-MN)



Thanks to all this week’s contributors. See you next time. (JDT-WA)

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U.S./Canadian Loggings from Eastern/Atlantic Time Zones. All times ELT.

REPORTERS

- KK-VA** Kraig Krist, Manassas - NRD-545, Kiwa loop.
TLK-FL Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater - JRC NRD-535; ICOM IC-R75; Hammarlund HQ-180A; Aqua Guide 705 Radio Direction Finder; Sony ICF-7600GR; GE SuperRadio III; RadioShack DX-399; roof dipole; in-room random wire.
DP-QC Denis Picard, Trois-Rivières - ICOM 746 Pro, Kiwa loop, 145' attic wire
JJR-MI John J Rieger, L'Anse – CCRadio 2
NjW-ONb Niel Wolfish, Burnt River - AOR-7030+ and longwires
NjW-ONt Niel Wolfish, Toronto – Sony ICF-2010
MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto – Grundig G5, Grundig YB-400PE, Sony SRF-39FP, Panasonic RF-2200 (receiver emeritus)

UNID/TENTATIVE/PRESUMED

- 980 UNID --** 1/29 2314 – Various oldies, including “Spirit In The Sky” and “Video Killed The Radio Star” heard at times under CFPL and WWRC. Also a jingle in there at 2342. Would like to think that this was WPRE in Prairie du Chien, WI based on the conditions, but I guess I will never know. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1420 UNID --** 1/30 1901 – Poor with very tight null to hear this very bouncy, lively SS outlet. KTOE would take over by :05. Wonder if this was possible KIGO in needed Idaho. Will wait for another day, I guess. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1700 WEUPt AL** **Huntsville** – 1/23 0650 – Gospel song by woman; religious talk by man at 0702. Mixing with presumed KVNS. **(DP-QC)**
- KVNSt TX** **Brownsville** – 1/23 0131 – Billy Joel's “Piano Man,” Leo Sayer's “You Make Me Feel Like Dancing,” and a string of other oldies, over QRM by KBGG. Got to bed and woke up at 0644 with Billy Joel's “For the Longest Time,” Elvis' “Suspicious Minds” and more non-stop oldies. QRM from presumably WEUP with GOS/REL songs. So presumably KVNS since there are only 5 stations on 1700 per Log, and the only one to fit the format. **(DP-QC)**

TIS/HAR/EBS

- 1690.05 ---- FL** **Largo** – 1/30 0805 – Pinellas County Emergency Management on with another broken audio day, with only the male ID appearing every few minutes, no Pinellas County construction loops dropping in. Still off-frequency, creating a low het with the synch 2nd transmitter in the Clearwater/Palm Harbor vicinity, and the big 60 Hz hum also remains. Allowed for reception of WMLB “The Voice of the Arts” at least, one I miss with their eclectic music programming after Pinellas County Emergency Management moved their transmitters here in November, 2009, ex-940. **(TLK-FL)**

LOGGINGS

- 560 KMON MT** **Great Falls** – 1/28 1847 – Fair and loud with start of C&W song. “560 KM...” and signal dropped out. Listened 15 minutes hearing WIND, WEBC and CFOS only. KVOK in AK is only other C&W format with K-call and it wasn't them. **NEW! (JJR-MI)**
- 650 CKOM SK** **Saskatoon** – 1/29 1838 – Fair with ads and call letter ID in WSM null. **(JJR-MI)**
- 680 KFEQ MO** **St. Joseph** – 1/29 0840 – Poor with local ads, call letter IDs. Not common. **(JJR-MI)**
- 740 WDGY WI** **Hudson** – 1/29 1734 – Poor in null of others with local ads, call letter ID, oldies. **(JJR-MI)**
- 750 WARD MI** **Petoskey** – 1/29 0750 – Poor in WSB null with tons of local ads, slogan “Sunny Country 101.9” into C&W. **(JJR-MI)**
- 810 KBHB SD** **Sturgis** – 1/29 1841 – Poor but steady with many local mentions, call letter IDs, C&W songs. **(JJR-MI)**

- 870 KAAN MO **Bethany** – 1/29 0753 – Poor but alone with “We Just Disagree” by Dave Mason, “northwestMOinfo.com” website promo into more oldies to fade out. Web info led to KAAN, sister stations. **(JJR-MI)**
- 940 WMAC GA **Macon** – 1/30 0745 – Sean Hannity show rebroadcast, commercial break, “... on News Talk 940, WMAC” just before 0800, into net news. Trading places with WINZ, Miami a short time after local sunrise here. **(TLK-FL)**
- KPSZ IA **Des Moines** – 1/26 2114 – “Praise 940” with Des Moines Buccaneers vs. Cedar Rapids Roughriders with secular USHL hockey. **(NjW-ONt)**
- KVSH NE **Valentine** – 1/29 1857 – Poor with local mentions, very detailed weather by woman, call letter IDs. **(JJR-MI)**
- 970 WZAM MI **Ishpeming** – 1/30 0755 – “ESPN 970 is WZAN Ishpeming-Marquette” ID heard in mix with WNED-Buffalo and WCHN-Norwich. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1010 KRNI IA **Mason City** – 1/30 0706 – Poor with “Iowa Public Radio ... it's 6:06” into NPR fare. Rare. **(JJR-MI)**
- WSPT WI **Stevens Point** – 1/29 0658 – Very poor under CFRB with True Oldies Channel promo, call letter ID. **(JJR-MI)**
- ++ 1/29 2241 – A third station in the CFRB-Toronto/WINS-New York mess with oldies, including The Beatles’ “Ticket To Ride” and “Hot Child In The City” by Nick Gilder. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1040 WNJE NJ **Flemington** – 1/30 1021 – “ESPN New York” taking phone calls. Parallel to the ‘real’ ESPN New York on 1050 (which was under CHUM-Toronto). **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1060 KNLV NE **Ord** – 1/30 0800 – Poor but steady with call letter ID and Sunday morning Christian programming. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1090 KNWS IA **Waterloo** – 1/29 0815 – Poor but noted calls said twice. No usual WAQE. Rare. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1100 WGPA PA **Bethlehem** – 1/29 1746* – Sign-off after Roy Orbison oldie. Weak underneath WTAM-Cleveland. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1120 WUST DC **Washington** – 1/29 1524 – ID slogan: “New World Radio WUST” and mention of their website. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1170 WWTR NJ **Bridgewater** – 1/14 1659 – Man wishing a good week-end to listeners in EE. “WWTR Bridgewater” ID at 1700, then greetings by male host in unknown language, then woman “... welcome to paradise ...”; signal faded shortly after. New, 1170 #5. **(DP-QC)**
- WCXN NC **Claremont** – 1/28 0558 – SS song, then “Buena ... buena ... La Qué Buena, la radio ...” slogan. Confirmed, at last! NC #3, 1170 #6. **(DP-QC)**
- 1200 WNBL WV **Huntington** – 1/30 1617 – ID: “This is your better life radio, WNBL 1200 AM.” Into The Beatles’ “Here, There and Everywhere.” Mixing with WCHB. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1210 WSBI TN **Static** – 1/30 1648 – Over WPHT Philadelphia in Spanish with several IDs as “Radio Vida.” Mentions of Gallatin. **(NjW-ONb)**
- KHAT WY **Laramie** – 1/29 0825 – Fair-poor with “Mike and Mike on ESPN,” local pizza ad. No calls heard. Rare. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1240 WOMT WI **Manitowoc** – 1/30 0927 – ID and mention of event at the Manitowoc Holiday Inn. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1250 WDDZ PA **Pittsburgh** – 1/30 1820 – Poor in null of other stations with usual Disney kiddie programs, “Radio Disney” promos. **(JJR-MI)**
- WKDL VA **Warrenton** – 2/3 1715 – In mix with talk show talking about government. ID’s as “7-30 AM ‘The Truth’ WTNT.” WKDL apparently now // WTNT-730. **(KK-VA)**
- 1260 KROX MN **Crookston** – 1/30 1853 – Poor with call letter ID into “Laughing” by the Guess Who. WSDZ and WNDE way down. **(JJR-MI)**
- 1290 CFRW MB **Winnipeg** – 1/30 0811 – Mixing with WNBFB-Binghamton and black gospel music station (WMCS?). ID: “Sports radio 1290, all sports all the time.” Ad for Kings Head Pub & Eatery. Mention of the Winnipeg Tim Hortons owner’s sponsoring some event and plug for the website for the Manitoba Junior Hockey League. **(NjW-ONb)**
- 1300 WJZ MD **Baltimore** – 2/2 1838 – In mix with usual ESPN radio programming, ID as “ESPN 1300 Catonsville, Baltimore, WJZ and online at espn1300.com.” **(KK-VA)**

- 1320 WILS MI **Lansing** – 1/30 1329 – Over top of CJMR-Mississauga with Easy Gardening Show and ID: “more compelling talk radio, 1320 WILS.” Weather for “the capital city.” (NjW-ONb)
- 1330 WVHI IN **Evansville** – 1/30 1630 – Tuned in just in time to catch “AM 1330 WVHI Evansville, voice of heavenly inspiration” ID. Into Baptist Bible Hour gospel huckster broadcast. (NjW-ONb)
- 1340 WJRW MI **Grand Rapids** – 1/30 1047 – ID: “News talk 13-40 WJRW.” Stronger than usual pest WLVL-Lockport. (NjW-ONb)
- KWLM MN **Willmar** – 1/30 1859 – Poor with station promo, KWLM weather, ToH ID, ABC news over others, though really steady for a graveyard. (JJR-MI)
- 1350 WARF OH **Akron** – 2/2 1754 – Over usual WOYK with promo for Kent State basketball, “... for the latest Kent State Golden Flashes news ... Kent State Insider on Fox Sports 1350 and sportsradio1350.com.” (MKB-ON)
- WBLT VA **Bedford** – 1/21 1819 – Dominating 1350 with ad for Zoom Fitness in Roanoke and another ad mentioning “the Valley.” Also PSA for the Virginia Foundation of The Humanities. (NjW-ONt)
- WPDR WI **Portage** – 1/30 0805 – Poor with Fox news, call letter ID to fade-out. (JJR-MI)
++ 1/30 1605 – Out of IRN USA news with weather and ID: “the Tri-County’s Talk Station, 1350 WPDR.” (NjW-ONb)
- 1370 WKMC PA **Roaring Spring** – 1/30 1203 – ID: “all new, good times great oldies 1370, WKMC Roaring Spring” into Supreme’s “You Can’t Hurry Love.” Over top of WXXI-Rochester on daytime groundwave. (NjW-ONb)
- 1420 WKCW VA **Warrenton** – 1/30 1332 – “Listen to WKCW.com” website promo heard in between gospel tunes. Mixing with WHK-Cleveland. (NjW-ONb)
++ 2/4 0554 – In mix with other talk and singing, “This is 14-20 WKCW” ID by man. (KK-VA)
- WTCR WV **Kenova** – 1/30 1606 – Noted in passing with announcement that WTCR is hiring, applications from females and minorities will be considered, and you must have a driver’s license. Fair signal over top of WHK-Cleveland. (NjW-ONb)
- 1450 WLYV IN **Fort Wayne** – 1/30 0857 – Over graveyard mess with religious organ music, ToH ID: “you are tuned to WLYV AM 1450 Fort Wayne ... Catholic radio” into EWTN program with repeated recitations of Hail Mary. (MKB-ON)
- KFIZ WI **Fond du Lac** – 1/30 1005 – Station promo “turn to news-talk 1450, KFIZ.” Gave temperature as 12 degrees. (NjW-ONb)
- 1460 KKAQ MN **Thief River Falls** – 1/30 1752 – Poor with FM // slogan “North River Country KKDQ 99.3” into C&W. KXNO not in yet. (JJR-MI)
- 1470 WMBD IL **Peoria** – 1/26 1915 – With pre-game show for Bradley University vs. Illinois State University Redbirds basketball. One of the players for the ISU Redbirds is John Wilkins. Announcer’s made no mention of his QSL totals when they were mentioning his free throw percentage. (NjW-ONt) *I heard WMBD at the same time with Bradley game (see DDXD-E 78-18). I wonder if they were running on day power for the basketball game. Mike.*
- WBTX VA **Broadway-Timberville** – 1/29 1403 – IRN-USA news, local weather and ID as “14-70 WBTX” into ‘Gospel Greats’ program. (NjW-ONb)
- 1480 WDJO OH **Cincinnati** – 1/30 1718 – Beach Boys oldie. ID: as “good times and great oldies, WDJO,” ad for Werkhaus Pizza. (NjW-ONb)
- 1490 WMPX MI **Midland** – 1/30 1444 – Dominating 1490 with Carpenters song and other adult standards. ID and local weather. Also mention of the Mid-Michigan Boat Show. (NjW-ONb)
- WNTJ PA **Johnstown** – 1/30 0953 – ID during Polka program. Commercial for a local insurance agent. (NjW-ONb)
- 1520 WSVX IN **Shelbyville** – 2/3 1902 – Poking through nulled WWKB (possibly running on reduced power, though they never put a decent signal into Toronto area) with Coldplay’s “Viva la Vida,” other AC tunes, local weather and PSA mentioning Shelby County. (MKB-ON)
- WARR NC **Warrenton** – 1/29 1609 – Under WWKB-Buffalo with soul music, station promo mentioning James Brown and ID. (NjW-ONb)
++ 2/4 1801* – Over nulled WWKB with sign-off announcement by woman: “you are listening to radio station WARR in Warrenton, NC ... we are now concluding another broadcast day ... join us again tomorrow morning.” No SSB. (MKB-ON)

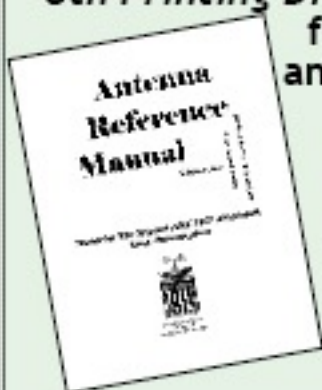
- 1550 WMRE WV Charles Town – 1/29 0816 – “Sports Talk 15-50” slogan and ID. Fox Sports Radio stuff and also a mention of the Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Winchester. Over CBE-Windsor. (NjW-ONb)
- 1560 WFSP WV Kingwood – 1/29 1416 – Gospel music and ID: “your home for solid gospel.” Calls also heard at 1428. At times peaking overtop of WQEW-New York. (NjW-ONb)
- 1570 WSCO WI Appleton – 1/30 1500 – Caught top of hour ID: “AM 1570 & 95.3 The Score.” (NjW-ONb)
- 1580 CKDO ON Oshawa – 2/3 1746 – In mix with oldies, man with traffic report mentioning backup in Markham, news by woman, “I’m ... Kim ... CKDO news.” (KK-VA)
- 1590 WHGT MD Maugensville – 2/3 1723 – In mix with network promo by woman: “You’re listening to FBN ‘Moments for Missteps,’” website promo “Log on to fbnradio.com” into ‘The Issue’ program. (FBN = Fundamental Broadcasting Network.) (KK-VA)
- WGBW WI Two Rivers – 1/30 1438 – Weather forecast, ID, mention that ABC news was coming up on the hour. Another ID as “WGBW, the new 1590” into Stevie Wonder oldie “Signed, Sealed, Delivered.” (NjW-ONb)

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN DDXD

// - Parallel to. :00 – On the hour. AC – Adult contemporary. AP – Associated Press. BBD – Big band. C&W – Country and western. CCR – Contemporary Christian radio. CHR – Contemporary hit radio. CID – Code ID. CL – Call letters. COL – City of license. EE – English. EZL – Easy listening. FF – French. GOS – Gospel. Hi – A joke; the ham radio equivalent of :-). LID – Legal ID (i.e., CL and COL near the ToH). LSR – Local sunrise. LSS – Local sunset. NBA – National Basketball Association. NFL – National Football League. NHL – National Hockey League. NPR – National Public Radio. OC – Open carrier. OLD – Oldies. PSRA – Pre-sunrise authority. PSSA – Post-sunset authority. QRM – Man-made interference (power lines, other stations, etc.). QRN – Natural interference (lightning, etc.). QTH – Location. REL – Religious. ROK – Rock’n’roll. RS – Regular schedule. \$ - Stereo. SID – Singing ID/jingle. SRS – Sunrise skip. SS – Spanish. SSB – “The Star-Spangled Banner.” SSS – Sunset skip. TC – Time check. ToH – Top of the hour. TT – Test tones. UC – Urban contemporary. VID – Voice ID. WW1 – Westwood One.

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Loggings of stations outside the Lower 48 and Canada. All times UTC.

Pan-American DX

- 580 **MEXICO** XEFI Chihuahua, Chih JAN 23 1040 – Mixing with KUBC; rancheras and frequent "Quienientos-Ochenta, Radio Mexicana" IDs. [Vance-TX]
- 650 **MEXICO** XEZM Zamora, Mich JAN 23 1258 – Poor with full ID in short fadeout of XETNT. Caught call letters, power (5 kW) and mention of Zamora, but little else. Had to use a lot of replays to ferret this one out. [Vance-TX]
- 720 **MEXICO** XEJCC Cd. Juárez, Chih JAN 30 1745 – Local station noted with US (Eurhythmics) and Mex popular music on new frequency, ex-1520 kHz. [Vance-TX]
- 890 **CUBA** *R.Progreso* JAN 8 0225 – Fair-to-poor but dominant with news program. Caught ID at bottom of the hour, "Transmite Radio Progreso, cadena nacional... desde la Habana, Cuba," then into music program. Presumed it's the CMDZ Chambas outlet at 25 kW. It was in and out for most of the evening. [Vance-TX]
- 930 **MEXICO** XEQS Fresnillo, Zac JAN 23 0045 – Fair with música romántica into ID with call letters, using both "Radio Romántica" and "Romance en Musical" slogans. Between songs there is also a 6-note jingle sung by women but I can't tell what the words are. [Vance-TX]
- 1180 **CUBA** *R.Rebelde*, Villa María JAN 16 0800 – Cuckoo interval signal heard with man in Spanish. [Heinen-CO]
- 1470 **MEXICO** XEHI Cd. Miguel Alamán, Tamps JAN 21 0501 – Out of Spanish music, call sign ID mixing with XERCN; new and taped. [Heinen-CO]
- 1670 **MEXICO** XEANA *H. Anáhuac*, Huixquilucan, Edo.Méx. JAN 29 1149-1215 – Presumed the one based on format and peak/fade time, definitely a Mexican, and the only 1670 listed on Fred Cantú's online listing. No joy in the eves with *Fox Sports 1670 WFSM* so loud on the channel. So, thought I'd give it a sunrise try and bingo, first try. Tune-in to nonstop Spanish and English pop-ish vocals (nothing I recognized though), seemingly across the top of the hour, then the choral Mexican national anthem at 1210-1212, back to vocals and pretty much gone by tune-out. Way under WFSM, but still a decent enough copy at its peak. This is the newest XE x-bander, first reported elsewhere a few weeks ago, 1 kW DA/N. JAN 30 1159-1215 – About the same signal and format, down to the anthem at 1210 UTC once again. [Krueger-FL]

Tres Compañeros

Wayne Heinen, Aurora CO; Kiwa Loop, Drake R8B, east/west Flag, north/south Flag, Dual TG-1 Termination Gizmo with DX Engineering RPA-1 preamp and Mini DXP5.

Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL; JRC NRD-535, ICOM IC-R75, Hammarlund HQ-180A, Aqua Guide 705 Radio Direction Finder, Sony ICF-7600GR, GE SuperRadio III, RadioShack DX-399, Sony Walkman SRF-59, 1 X roof dipole, 1 X in-room random wire, RadioShack 15-1853 passive MW loop.

Robert Vance; El Paso TX; WiNRADiO G303e/PD, 12 x 9-ft unterminated corner-fed north-south loop, 3 sq meter amplified air loop.

Noticia Internacional

SWITZERLAND: Please be informed about our new test transmission from *R.Gloria* on **1566 kHz** in the central part of Switzerland. At this time it's the only medium wave station in Switzerland and the very first AM private station in Switzerland. Our AM transmitter broadcasts 24 hours a day. The power is 250 watts, with a longwire antenna near of the city of Lucerne. *R.Gloria* hopes that these broadcasts can be heard in Europe. Transmissions will end March 2nd. Please stay tuned and have fun to pick up our low power AM station. We kindly confirm your correct reception report by a special QSL card. Send reports by e-mail to qsl@radiogloria.eu or by regular mail to Radio Gloria, PO Box 540, CH-6281 Hochdorf, Switzerland. [Peter Galliker, Station Manager, via Mike Terry, *mwdx*]

From the NRC/IRCA DX TESTS COMMITTEE: Tests for February 2011

Paul Walker reports three DX tests scheduled for February:

Saturday February 12 – At precisely 0100 and 0200 CST (0200 and 0300 ELT): *KHMO 1070 Hannibal, MO* will test with morse code, sweep tones and voice announcements for 5 minutes at the top of the first hour with its 5-kW/3-tower day pattern and 5 minutes at the top of the second hour at its 1-kW/6-tower night power.

Saturday February 12 – From 0300 to 0400 CST (0400-0500 ELT): *WLIQ 1530 Quincy, IL* will test for 20 minutes using morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc., at its 1400-watt non-directional day power, then for 20 minutes at its 290-watt non directional “critical hours” power, and then for the final 20 minutes it will test at its once-proposed 3-watt non-directional night power.

Saturday February 19 – From 0100 to 0200 CST (0300-0400 ELT) *WLRB 1510 Macomb, IL* will test for the first 30 minutes using morse code, sweep tones, voice announcement, special music, sound bites, etc., at its 1-kW non-directional day power and for the final 30 minutes with much the same content at its 250-watt non-directional “critical hours” power.

Snail-mail QSLs: Send a self addressed stamped envelope to the Chief Engineer at the following address:

Gary Glaenzer
c/o (Put the name of the station whose DX test your are reporting on this line)
325 East Douglas Avenue
Jacksonville, IL 62650

Tapes or CDs will be accepted along with written reports but **MUST** be cued up to the point of where the best reception is. If sending in a report by mail, you **MUST** include a return, self addressed, stamped envelope. The reports are being sent to the engineer’s home address, not the station. So please be patient, as Mr. Glaenzer is the Chief Engineer for 16 radio stations in Missouri and Illinois.

E-QSLs are available - Send to the engineer at <glaenzer@frontier.com> with both the station call letters and the words "DX test" in the subject line, as follows:

KHMO DX Test
WLIQ DX Test
WLRB DX Test

Finally, we ask that you please not telephone any of the stations or the engineer during the test. No one will be at the stations during the tests - everything is being done remotely by phone control.

Of course, be sure to report any catches to the DX lists, to club bulletins, or to any of your regular communication channels. And please help the cause by forwarding this test information far and wide, and - if you can – by organizing a test of your own!

With thanks to Paul for arranging and Gary for running.

Saul Chernos

IRCA-NRC DX Test Committee

NOAA Space Weather Outlook

Issued February 1 – For the period February 2-28, 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels through 8 February. A slight chance for M-class activity is possible from 9-22 February due to the return of old Region 1149 (N17, L= 349). Very low to low levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period (23-28 February).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels during 2-3 February, increasing to moderate to high levels for 4-9 February. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period (10-28 February).

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at quiet to unsettled levels on 2-4 February due to combined effects of a recurrent coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and the 29 January CME. Isolated active to minor storm periods are possible 2–3 February. Predominately quiet levels will return from 5–8 February. Quiet to unsettled levels are expected on 9-11 February due to another CH HSS. Isolated active periods are possible on 10 February. Predominately quiet conditions will prevail from 12–27 February. Quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active periods, are expected by 28 February due to another CH HSS.

(From <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/ftplib/weekly/WKHF.txt>)

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