



Hi John,

I received your letter about you receiving the signal of Real Oldies 1480 at your location in Minnesota. I'm somewhat surprised you are hearing our signal so far away, but not really shocked seeing as that I am also into dxing.

It is indeed our signal that you received on the night of September 14, 2021. That is definitely the station ID that plays on our station at the top of the hour.

Just to let you know a bit more about our radio stations. WGVU-AM 1480 is a 24 hour station licensed to the city of Kentwood, Michigan (a suburb of Grand Rapids) that operates with 2,000 watts omnidirectional days and 5,000 watts nights with a directional pattern to the north and tilted just slightly east. We also have Real Oldies 850 licensed to the city of Muskegon, Michigan that operates 24 hours a day with a directional signal of 1,000 watts. Both of our AM stations have been featuring the Real Oldies format since August 27, 2009.

It was good that you were able to catch our signal when you did. Both of our radio stations are scheduled to leave the air as of January 7, 2022. Grand Valley State University, the owners of the stations, will be taking down our broadcast towers and selling the property to commercial investors. That decision doesn't really bode well with me or the rest of the staff of Real Oldies, but at this point in time, not really much we can do about it. I've heard from many dx enthusiasts over the years, and will miss hearing about our radio stations being heard in far away places.

Thanks John for taking the time twice to contact us. The first one never made it to me. If there is ever anything I can do for you, please feel free to contact me. My e-mail address is bobmason@gvsu.edu You can also call me in the studio, I am usually in the studio from around 9AM-Noon Eastern time. Our phone number is 616-331-6629. Thanks again John for your letter about hearing Real Oldies 1480.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Mason". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bob Mason
Music Director Real Oldies 1480 and 850