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Publisher's Note

Stations are changing calls and formats all the time—if one of your locals makes a change, be sure and let us know through your friendly local DX Roundup or Forum editor. -- RT

DX Tests

PLEASE NOTE: Even if you don't hear a test, be sure to contact the station, and thank them for going to the trouble to run a test! Please remember, what's listed as being on, say, Monday morning "may" be what you think of as Sunday night! (Test times are in the station's LOCAL time.)

Saturday, October 26, 2002 - KNOM-780, Nome, AK conducted a DX test from 12:00am-1:00am Alaska Local Time (e.g. 4-5 am EDT).

For this test, power was 25 kW for the test period, as well as until legal sunrise at the station. Morse and voice IDs were featured on the hours, with regular programming (Casey Kasem's Top 40) after the test period. I got a confirmation from the engineer (Les Brown) - KNOM's test DID run, and he verified that the power was raised when it should have been and it stayed at that power until legal sunrise. He says that between auroral conditions that night, the other stations on 780 kHz, and their folded unipole antenna, he didn't expect much! He says he's received no e-mail reports of test reception thus far but is hoping for some snail mail reports. I have a list of people from across the country who reported that they tried for the test, but heard either another station or some noise instead; these included: Bruce Conti, Nashua, NH; Pete Taylor, Tacoma, WA; Marc DeLorenzo, Marstons Mills, MA; Robert Wien, San Diego, CA; Pete Dernbach, Manchester (St. Louis), MO; Patrick Martin, Seaside, OR; Fred Vobbe, Lima, OH; Tim Hall, Chula Vista, CA; Patrick Griffith, Westminster, CO; Les Rayburn, Helena (Birmingham), AL; Phil Greenspan, Marshfield, MA; Blaine Thompson, Fort Wayne, IN; Steve Francis, Alcoa, TN, and Lynn Hollerman, Lafayette, LA. Well, at least we DXers had something to try for!

Friday, November 8, 2002 - KTNS-1060, Oakhurst, CA will conduct a DX test from 9:00pm-10:00pm PST (12:00 am-1:00 am EST). The test will consist of "Music of your life" and Morse code IDs. The test will be run at KTNS's full daytime power of 5000 watts and a non-directional antenna pattern will be used. Reception reports may be sent to:

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(Arranged by Lynn Hollerman for the IRCA CPC.)

Sunday, December 1, 2002 - WLCR-1470, Louisville, KY (COL Shepherdsville, KY) As stated in the test results report above, another DX test will be held at this time to make up for the test held October 21. Time is scheduled for 3:00 - 4:00 am EST, with 750 watts from 2:45 - 3:15 am.



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Sunday, December 15, 2002 - WILM-1450, Wilmington, DE will conduct a test from 1:00-2:30am EST. The test will include special music, Morse code, and special effects noises during WILM's regular programming. Reception reports may be sent to:



Mr. Allan Loudell, Program Director
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A few phone calls may be taken during the test: (prepaid only) 302-656-9800. (Arranged by Allan Loudell for the NRC CPC—thanks Paul Swearingen)

If you try for (or hear) any of these tests, PLEASE post a message letting me know, and please, drop the station personnel a note, via e-mail or snail mail, thanking them for running the test! Lynn (ircamember@ircaonline.org)

Web Sites for AM DXers

Someone in the Philadelphia area loves talk radio... enough to create a web site tracking all of the talk shows in the Philly area and surrounding. It's called *Philly Talk Radio Online*; check it out at <http://www.phillytalkradioonline.com/index.html>.

While I'm working on the update to the Slogans list, you might find this listing of slogans used by stations between 1926 and 1932 interesting. Many of them are designed to give their call letters further meaning; some are designed to promote their town or business interests. My favorite is "The Biggest Little 10 watt Station in the World". Find this listing of "oldies but goodies" at <http://members.aol.com/jeff1070/slogans.html>.

Turkey Time GTG in Massachussetts

All DXers, hams and anyone with a general interest in radio are invited to Ray and Arlene Arruda's 25th consecutive annual Thanksgiving GTG in the "Lower Deck" at 47 Burt Street in Acushnet, Mass. This year's event will take place on Saturday, November 23 from noon until whenever.

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

1510 KSPA CA, Ontario 10/30 0100 "The Best Mix" and call ID over KNRC. (BN-CO)
1600 KANM NM, Albuquerque ex-KIVA 10/30 1740 "The Mix of New Mexico." (BN-CO)

- 620 KTAR AZ, Phoenix 12/22 0134 in poor with KTAR ID. (CM-CA)
- 730 CHMJ BC, Vancouver 10/28 1453 in tuning by "Mojo Radio" I heard a promo for The Tom Leykis Show only on 730 Mojo Radio, and cluster of spots. (PM-OR)
- 790 KABC CA, Los Angeles 10/22 2200 good with ID "KABC Los Angeles" with news talk program. (CM-CA)
KGHL MT, Billings 10/27 0422 fair, local KWIL was on open carrier till 0500. KGHL seemed strong with several ID's and a mix of country music, but KWIL was putting out a heavy hum making it difficult to copy. New. (DP-OR)
- 880 KRVN NE, Lexington 10/22 0200 in poor with "KRVN Lexington, Nebraska" ID. (CM-CA)
- 960 KABL CA, Oakland 10/29 had a NOS tune across the hour, then ID'd at 2301. Man mentioned "Cable, a Clear Channel station," strong in CFAC null. (LG-MT)
?KNDN? NM, Farmington 10/27 2300 presumed the one with American Indian chanting. Surely still on day power. (LG-MT)
- 980 KINS CA, Eureka 10/28 was a surprise at 0800 practically alone with ID as "News Radio KINS." Even stronger with local weather at 2330 on 10/31. It must beam signal to the NE. (LG-MT)
- 1090 KNCR CA, Fortuna 10/29 now Spanish, ex C&W with "Radio Fiesta" mention of Humboldt County by man at 1020. (PM-OR)
- 1100 KNZZ CO, Grand Junction 10/28 0433 poor to fair under KFAX. "This is the KNZZ Community Calendar" followed by legal ID. (DP-OR)
- 1150 KXTA CA, Los Angeles 10/22 0300 poor with ID "KXTA Los Angeles." (CM-CA)
- 1170 KOWO MN, Waseco was weak but all alone at 0800 on 10/21 with NOS program and ID. KFAQ was strangely absent. New. (LG-MT)
- 1220 WEZU MN, Stillwater 10/23 0800 was mixing with one or two others at 0800. ABC news followed ID. Only heard once before. (LG-MT)
- 1230 KZZR OR, Burns totally 10/28 dominant at 2015 with C&W music and "KZZR" ID, wiping out local KKEE after adding 300' counterpoise to Beverage. (PM-OR)
- 1240 KCCR SD, Pierre 10/26 referred to birthday/anniversary calendar and ID'd at 0800. (LG-MT)
KTHE WY, Thermopolis 10/21 was the dominant one at 2300 with legal ID. Announcer referred to "favorites." ABC news followed. (LG-MT)
- 1260 KZNI ID, Idaho Falls 10/29 good to dominant with ID "From Simmons Media Group, news talk, sports 690, 1260, KZNR Blackfoot, KZNI Idaho Falls, United States of America. Its 11 o'clock," into ABC news at 0100. (PM-OR)
- 1290 KPAY CA, Chico 10/28 0130 good. Nice ID "Newstalk 12-90 KPAY, Chico, Oroville, Hamilton City" followed by "Behind the News" with Roy Masters. (DP-OR)
- 1300 KROP CA, Brawley 10/270237 fair. Temporary gap in noise allowed this to be heard. "Real Country...13-00 KROP, Brawley," followed by what may or may not have been connected. "Radio Home for Oakland Raiders Football." I couldn't find any info listing a connection between the two. I might have also heard KPMO, but doubt it. New. (DP-OR)

- 1310 KNOX SD, Grand Forks 10/12 finished a Sporting News Radio program and ID'd at 0800. Announcer mentioned "employee owned and operated." Good signal! New. (LG-MT)
- 1340 KWVR OR, Enterprise 10/29 1030 with "Birthday Greetings." (PM-OR)
- 1400 KVTO CA, Berkeley 10/27 mixing with KUKI (Spanish), ID as "The Voice of the Orient, KVTO" at 2000, into CC program. (PM-OR)
- KUKI CA, Ukiah 10/27 1959:50 good on top of KVTO with Spanish programming, ID for KDAC-Ft. Bragg and KLLK Willitts, "La Maquinta" slogan. (PM-OR)
- KART ID, Jerome 10/29 1015 local promo for Twin Falls businesses. (PM-OR)
- KNND OR, Cottage Grove 10/27 C&W music and ID at 1959:45 "KNND Cottage Grove." (PM-OR)
- 1410 KERN CA, Bakersfield 10/22 0305 poor with "KERN Newstalk 1410" ID. (CM-CA)
- 1450 KVML CA, Sonora 10/27 dominant for a time with 49'ers at 2005 "You've been listening to 49'ers football on KVML, AM 14-50." (PM-OR)
- KHIT NV, Reno 10/27 C&W music, "K-Hit" IDs at 2011. (PM-OR)
- 1560 ?WQEW? NY, New York 10/13 presumed the Radio Disney station with a good signal at 2302. (LG-MT)
- 1600 KUBA CA, Yuba City 10/29 was strong on the car radio at 1947 on with a local PSA for seniors. Weaker but readable with call between NOS pieces at 0758 on 10/31. Maybe it's 24 hours now. (LG-MT)
- 1630 KCJJ IA, Iowa City 10/22 gave call ID between commercials at 2250. Odd, no QRM from KKWY this time. (LG-MT)
- KKWY WY, Fox Farm 10/22 0345 dominating the frequency while trying for WTEL/KMAX, with "KWY Country." (CM-CA)
- 1660 KXTR MO, Kansas City 10/29 ID 1800 "Classic 1660 KXTR Kansas City." (BN-CO)
- 1700 KBGG IA, Des Moines 10/24 was still in with CNN plug at 1000. (LG-MT)

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IRCA Foreign Logs

IRCA Foreign Log #11 is NOW available! This edition contains ALL the SDXM DXWW-E and DXWW-W tips from the 2001-2002 DX season. It is available through IRCA's website at www.ircaonline.org. Click on "IRCA Bookstore", and you will find a link to PDFs after the Foreign Log 11 listing. There are three compiles: one for DX Worldwide West, for DX Worldwide-East, and for DX Worldwide II. All tips reported to the columns are included in the compiles, and is sorted by TA, TP, and LA's, by frequency (or country for DXWW-II). For the first time, this can be downloaded. For a hard copy, prices are: IRCA members - \$10.00 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$11.00 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$11.50 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$12.00 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.00 to the above prices.

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DX TEST

780 (KNOM) AK, Nome10/26 0400-0500 nothing heard at all. Thought at least code would make it through as KKOH Reno carries talk shows. Was it on air? (GJ-CA)

UNIDS

- 820 10/22 0140 in good playing classic rock music. Does anyone know what station this is? Also heard man talking in Spanish, then back to classic rock. (CM-CA)
- 1490 10/31 ID seemed to be KGFL on an oldies station at 1000. (LG-MT)
- 1540 10/13 station ended John Klemmer song (oldie/jazz) at 2255, with KXEL in tight null. Bound to be a good one. (LG-MT)
- 1610 10/22, 10/23 and 10/24 0500-0800 TIS/HAR only thing heard when came in strong "This message will be updated as conditions warrant," then faded for as long as 20 minutes at a time. Heard in Hanford, CA. Help! (GJ-CA)

Thanks to our reporters this week. Nancy 11/1 2100

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 760 WENO TN, Nashville. 10-25 fair, mixing at times with unID gospel. WJR nulled. 17:37 with "The Bible Answer Man" program. 17:50 "This is AM 7-60 WENO" ID. [RCP-IN]
- 910 KLCN AR, Blytheville. 10-25 poor, briefly heard. 18:10 with "All news, all the time. KLCN." Mentioned being a member of the Arkansas News Network. New station for me. [RCP-IN]
- 960 KZIM MO, Cape Girardeau. 10-26 fair to poor. 18:03 with news, local weather, "It's news radio 9-60 KZIM. The way to start your morning." [RCP-IN]
- 980 WTEM DC, Washington. 10-26 very good, but mixing with WONE at times. 17:58 with several spots followed by "Fox Sports Radio WTEM 9-80 Washington" ID. [RCP-IN]
- 1510 KNRC CO, Littleton. 10-31. 21:00 with "15-10 KNRC" and "We're Denver talk AM 1510 KNRC Littleton, Denver." AP Network News. [NJ-MT]
- KSPA CA, Ontario. 11-1 over nulled KGA. 20:59 with NOS format. ID "AM 15-10 KSPA Ontario..." [NJ-MT]
- 1610 ... MT, Hardin. 10-26 and again 10-27, noticed this TIS is still running a tape loop promoting the reenactment of the Battle of Little Big Horn event. This event was June 21-23 last summer. No ID given. Heard while driving near Little Bighorn Battlefield along I-90. [NJ+JcJ-MT]
- 1640 KBJA UT, Sandy. 10-29 good. 23:01 with EE "KBJA 16-40" and SS ID into Radio Unica Noticias. [NJ-MT]

25 YEARS AGO

November 5, 1977 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... Allen W. Luckey of New Castle, DE said he was 31, married with one child, and worked as an electronics tech for a small retail chain ... Karl Jeter of Atlanta, GA said he was 24, single, and a senior at Southern Technical Institute in Marietta ... Gary Larson of Burbank, CA finally got a correct schedule for KROQ ... Eric Rittenhouse of Berkeley, CA told about his trip to Ketchikan, AK.

OPEN MIKE

Thanks to Nancy and Robert we have a column. This column was typed 11-2-02. 73, John

EASTERN DX ROUNDUP

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Sony ICF-2010 KIWA Pocket Loop

LOGGINGS

- 550 NY WGR Buffalo 10/22 2143 ID; "Sports Radio 55" (WM-MD)
- 580 PA WHP Harrisburg 10/22 2300 "Central PA's Flagship station for News and information"; into ABC news (WM-MD)
- 640 GA WGST Atlanta 10/23 2100 "News Talk 640" ID;
- 850 VA WTAR Norfolk 10/28 2000 Good Over/Under local WYLF. TOH call and city ID ; "Talk Radio 8-50" Can't believe that I have not heard this powerhouse before. New (DH-NJ)
- 940 VA WKGM Smithfield 10/23 1820 Gospel MX hrd; ID (WM-MD)
- 960 NS CHNS Halifax 10/24 0008 "Oldies 96" Hrd in mix. (WM-MD)
- 1550 VA WKBA Vinton 10/22 1830 Country Gospel MX; ID (WM-MD)

Thats a wrap for this week.. Thanks to William and David this week.....Weather here finally "Cooled Off". Was also able to find time to do some repairs on the Potomic FIM Field Strength Meter. Hope to find some DX Time soon... Been busy with the upcoming election, trying to return my wife's boss to Washington for another two years.....73's and see you all next time!!.....fresh
.....11/03 1100

An Introduction to Broadcast Band DXing

This tri-folded brochure is ideal for explaining the Broadcast Band DXing hobby and the IRCA. It can be included with reception reports and given to other interested folks. Sub topics include: What is DXing?, Broadcasting's early years, The first DXers, Clubs helped listeners share, Our hobby today and DX clubs still unite listeners. It is two color printed on heavy stock. Price is \$0.35/brochure (US and Canada), \$1.00 (rest of the world). Minimum order is 10. To order, send the correct amount (in US funds payable to **Phil Bytheway**) to:

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Just a short one this week, but with a report on a great QSL John Bryant received.

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 666 NEW CALEDONIA, Noumea, RFO 1403 10/27. In quite clearly for several minutes with news in FF by a woman. New country for me! (NP-AB) (*Glad to see Noumea has made it that far East.Good going. PM*)
- 1035 NEW ZEALAND, Wellington, 2ZB 1400 UTC 10/27. Three o'clock time check and into "Newstalk ZB News" read by woman. At 1402 it began to mix with another station with BBC News. Possibly Solomon Islands? (NP-AB) (*Very likely.PM*)

QSLs

- 594 NEW ZEALAND, Timaru, Radio Rhema, rec full detail QSL card with letter and booklet on Radio Rhema in 50d. New Zealand QSL #108. V/S: Dudley Scantlebury-Dir of Administration, Radio Rhema, 55 Upper Queen Street, Private Bag 92-636, Symonds Street, Auckland NZ. 5 KW. (PM-OR)
- 1062 JAPAN, Namuru, JOXS, Sapporo Radio & TV, 100w. One of my best. Sent a CD report, a nice QSL card, STV program sked and a nice note...(JB-WA) (*Great catch and QSL, John. PM*)

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*** PAN-AMERICAN DX ***

- 690 VENEZUELA R. Barquisimeto, YVMR, Barquisimeto, NOV 02 0732 - "...Radio Barquisimeto", followed by slow LA music [Capobianco, NY]
- 850 COSTA RICA R. Viva, TIJLS, San José, NOV 03 0202 - "Radio Viva !" in the peak fade- in followed by LA music [Capobianco, NY]
- 1120 EL SALVADOR La Romantica, YSLR, San Salvador, NOV 01 0705 - "... Romantica !" in the clear, followed by lively to fast and festive la mx, 0715 "... amor." [Capobianco, NY]

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That's all for this issue. 73, Brandon.

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Hi Gang, Well, I thought I'd be slowing down on the DX'ing right about now, but the opportunities are still happening, so I'm still plugging away. I've lucked out on several ID's lately. XEX Mexico City came through awhile back, during a strange gap in talking from the more local stations on 730. KROP Brawley on 1300, a station Patrick Martin picked up recently, made it through for me at just the right time for about 15 seconds of clearer audio. Knowing he received it gave me a little incentive to try for it, figuring chances were slim. Up until the ID, I really thought I was listening to KLER, Orofino. Anyways, I kind of have a thing for AM stations anywhere out in the desert/great basin areas. There is a lot more out there to catch, but I wouldn't mind hearing KBLU, Yuma and KAAA, Kingman first. Other stations I been trying hard to hear are 1230 KPPT, Toledo and 1340 KWVR, Enterprise, both here in Oregon. And I suppose any other Oregon station not in my books yet, hi. My local station, KWIL on 790 has been running open carrier a few times lately, which has helped me add a couple of stations to my totals. KWIL only runs 1k, but it points right at me and blows into 780 and 800 with ease, greatly limiting opportunities there. About a month ago or so I visited KGAL 1580/KSHO 920 out of Lebanon. They are locally owned and operated and run both stations off of one - two tower set up, with their office right next to them. I talked to a couple of kids who worked there, (one was 17- that's a kid, right?) Well, he definitely had his station history down pat and the technical aspects too. They gave me a copy of their station newspaper, with photos of them knocking down the original one of their two towers and installing a new one. It was a nice visit. Well, I must go. Best of DX to everyone and good luck this season. 73's, doug

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[10/26] Just saw DXM 1264 and that 1260 KSUR is moving XR. Hadn't known this so will try to contact a CE or 2 I've spoken to at a few area stns. Am wondering if diplexing is to be done, maybe 710 if pattern covers San Fernando Valley and most of S. Cal., mostly south. Wasn't sure if present site is Mission Hills could be upgraded for 25 kw. Most likely a new one or adding a tower or 2 to a currently operating site of a local. Daytime 1260 here is excellent all over, but nites Orange Co. + San Gabriel Valley can't get KSUR. Would 670 KIRN's 3-tower site work on 1260? And if 670 goes to Antelope Valley area, that frees Simi Valley one for use by just KSUR. Hmmmm. Cooler weather here, light drizzle and rain has fallen. Time changes tonight, back 1 hour. On Nov 4, I'll be reachable at 818-846-5400. Hope you all have a great Halloween. 73

EASTERN DX FORUM

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Hello again from north MS. I can't believe how long it's been since my last Forum! For the re-intro, I am 55 and have been DX'ing since the late 50's (BCB, TV) and 60's (FM/SW). I am mainly active with BCB and FM, but sometimes check shortwave. I joined IRCA in 1983 (from Nettleton, MS) with continuous membership since 1992. After working at a small polyform plant for 3 years, I am unemployed now. Since my last Forum was in 1997, here is a brief summary of what has happened since then. In early '97, I bought a Sangean AT-909 for BCB (especially X-band) and SW DX'ing. I heard so many stations on 60 meters (4750-5060) that my BCB totals dropped to the single digits. In 1998-99, I logged 20

stations (14 on X-band) with KXOL-1660 my best catch. In Oct. '99, I bought a Drake SW-8 and everything changed. During that season, I heard 51 new stations checking at sunset and most nights before going to sleep. The next season I added SRS (weekends, holidays) with KOOQW-1410 and KWYR-1260, nice rewards. WCED-1420 (PA) and KLTT-670 (CO) were some nice catches at sunset and among 46 new stations heard that season. Last season, my most distant SRS DX was KSCB (1270) and XEDP (710) but WJJL 1440 (NY) and KVTK 1470 (SD) were not expected at sunset. My most distant stations, domestic (CBU-690) and foreign (YVRQ-910), were received during the late night-early morning hours like in the 60's and 70's. I heard 15 new Mexican stations including a new state (Aguascalientes) with XEUVA-1170 and XEEY-660 heard from there. Does anyone else in the SE listen to Mexican stations? Most of the loggings are from western or southwestern members. There are several "pests" but there are many interesting stations to listen for. Since moving to the New Albany area in 1987, I have logged 73 new stations from Mexico. With Canadians moving to FM or covered by NSP QRM, Mexico is becoming my second best country. Can anyone help with these 2 unIDs from last season -- "Prayer Radio-680 AM" and "Oldies-1450 - The Fox" with a local ad for Fredericktown? Neither slogan is listed in the IRCA Slogans List. I'm still using the NRC Log No. 20 but plan to replace it when the 2002-2003 is published. The new season is just starting for many but I have logged 25 new stations already. I started in August after the E-skip (FM) season ended. Did anyone else have a successful season in 2002 or was there a season for E-skip? I am using a 70' longwire in addition to my Palomer Loop. The wire has added WSMO (NC) on 1120 (much wanted but never heard on 1580), WELIB-1190(NY)but I am still trying for a legal ID, and my best catch of the season on 1620-WDHP from the US Virgin Islands!! I didn't think DX on 1620 was possible with WTAW broadcasting from the highest tower in Texas or 10-kw 24 hours a day! 73 from David

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I don't remember if I mentioned it but we came thru the tornado here alright back in Sept. It only came within about a mile and a half of my house. I didn't lose power but my four trainees, who live on the east side of Indy, all lost power for several hours at their respective apartments. The youngest one (age 22) didn't know what he was going to do after work with no power so I suggested he might listen to the radio. He looked at me as though I was nuts and he reminded me that he had no power. I asked him if he had a battery operated radio and he didn't know what I was talking about. I was talking about it this past week with a woman where I moonlight and she said she had the same problem with her three teenagers. She reminded them that the boomboxes have batteries in them as well as using a cord to the wall. 73.



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Date	Flux	A	K	Space Wx Today	Space Wx Forecast	Etc.
10/14	181	18	2	minor	minor	5
15	177	14	3	minor	minor	6
16	183	10	4	no storms	minor	10
17	179	11	3	no storms	minor	7
18	173	12	2	no storms	minor	6
19	180	12	3	no storms	minor	5
20	180	10	3	minor	minor	6
21	183	10	2	no storms	minor	2
22	169	10	1	minor	minor	6
23	164	11	2	no storms	minor	6
24	160	34	6	moderate	minor	9
25	173	36	2	moderate	minor	8
26	158	25	4	minor	minor	7
27	157	17	4	no storms	minor	7
28	158	16	2	minor	minor	7
29	162	14	3	minor	minor	6
30	168	17	3	minor	no storms	10
10/31	170	18	3	strong	minor	4
11/ 1	162	7	2	no storms	minor	5
2	165	22	3	minor	minor	8
3	169	23	3	minor	minor	7
11/ 4	177	18	3	no storms	minor	7

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CA/OR/NV TIS Update

Tim Hall

<http://www.inetworld.net/halls>

The following notes were taken during a car trip Oct 5th-19th, 2002, with 1-2 night stays in Solvang, CA; Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA; The Sea Ranch, CA; Crescent City, CA; Bandon, OR; Crater Lake Rim Village, OR; Burney, CA; Chester, CA; and Mammoth Lakes, CA. Equipment consisted of my ICF-2010, Kiwa Loop, Marantz tape recorder, Intermatic timer, and the weak car radio in our Toyota Prius.

Some of the HAR stations listed here are part of the new COATS system (California-Orgeon Advanced Transportation System). Whereas the California stations in this network were very much in evidence (inactive, but lots of signs up), I saw no activity on the Oregon side of the border in support of this initiative.

On to the listings...

530 (WNFU248) CA Bishop Delete this listing. We've been through here several times in recent years and there has never been a sign or a trace of a station.

- 530 (HAR) CA El Toro / Mission Viejo Delete these listings. (Orange County CalTrans stations are on 1620 these days). LAX Airport TIS is still active on 530 and widely audible around LA.
- 530 TIS CA Klamath National Forest Test loop noted on several nights from Oregon: "You are listening to a test broadcast operating on 530 kHz AM from the Klamath National Forest"
- 530 WNSA852 CA Oakland City TIS is active and getting out well with information about fire season.
- 530 (WNQV784) CA Pismo Beach This should probably be deleted. There are no signs for it, and I have not logged it on several recent trips through this area.
- 530 WPUV620 CA San Mateo New city TIS gets out well. Tape loop mentions phone number 650-344-8592. There are 3 other TIS stations listed on 530 in San Mateo but this was the only one we noted.
- 530 (KMG849) CA June Lake Has never been noted on multiple visits. No signs.
- 530 (WNFU245) CA Mammoth Lakes Has never been noted on multiple visits. No signs.
- 530 (KNEU564) CA Truckee-Lake Tahoe No sign of a station here.
- 530 (WPFM427) NV Carson City Convention/Vistors Bureau station not noted from the south end of town as we drove through. No signs.
- 530 (WPLX255) NV Incline Village NV DoT station not noted in this area. Station is further south.
- 530 WPLX255 NV Lake Tahoe NV DoT HAR gets out pretty well with detailed road closure info //1610 Carson City.
- 530 (WPJK465) OR Gold Beach Silent, no signs up.
- 620 WPF5414 CA Inglewood City TIS is on with information about local sporting venues, etc.
- 830 KNNS724 CA Carmel Valley Carmel Valley Village TIS gets out rather poorly. Interesting long tape loop includes Willie Nelson's "What a Wonderful World" in its entirety, and part of Chicago's "Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is?"
- 840 WPEX988 CA Belvedere Noted with tape loop from local police department.
- 840 (WPIJ667) CA Santa Cruz No station noted here, no signs along CA-1.
- 1330 WPGU994 CA Corte Madera City TIS noted getting out well during the day.
- 1610 (WPUH732) CA Arcata Noted signs on both sides of US 101 at CA-299 junction, but station was not on. I found no sign of any station on 1630 in this area.
- 1610 (WPNQ481) CA Bridgeport There was no trace of a station as we drove through, and no signs. (The sister station in Coleville was on the air and getting out well as we drove through Coleville).
- 1610 (WPFK506) CA Burney Signs are up for CalTrans COATS station on all 4 sides of CA-139/CA-299 junction, but station was not on at the time.
- 1610 (HAR) CA Carson Not noted this time (I think the signs are gone now, but traffic on the 405 was very heavy so I might have missed them).
- 1610 WPNQ481 CA Coleville Mono County station for the "Antelope Valley" area along US 395 (Coleville, Walker, Topaz Lake) gets out very well. Logged as far north as Crater Lake with information about volunteer fire department and library. Calls itself "AVIS - Antelope Valley Information Station".
- 1610 (KPB794) CA Crescent City Delete this old listing for a Redwoods National Park TIS. There is no evidence of such a station, and CalTrans has recently built a COATS HAR station here.
- 1610 (HAR) CA Crescent City CalTrans has built a COATS HAR station here. Noted signs at south end of town on US 101. (These stations are only on the air when the lights on the signs are flashing.) The signs used by all COATS stations we saw were identical.
- 1610 (WPPD491) CA Eureka Noted signs on both sides of US 101 at both the north and south ends of town, implying two stations, but there may be only one.
- 1610 (WPTJ432) CA Ft. Bragg No station noted here, and no signs were noted.
- 1610 (WPVP711) CA Gasquet - Collier Tunnel CalTrans COATS HAR station at the US 199 rest area at the SW end of the Collier Tunnel was not on the air as we drove by, but signs were up. Internet listings for Gasquet, Smith River Canyon, and Collier Tunnel are all referring to this one station.
- 1610 (WNKB689) CA Gilroy No station noted here, no signs along CA-1.

- 1610 (KMC489) CA Johannesburg Delete this listing. It has never been noted on multiple visits over 3+ years, and there are no signs for it.
- 1610 (KMC472) CA Lone Pine Delete this listing. It has never been noted on multiple visits over 3+ years, and there are no signs for it.
- 1610 (KPB793) CA Malibu Noted running OC as we drove by the Malibu city center.
- 1610 WNHN952 CA Monterey City TIS is active, doesn't get out particularly well.
- 1610 KPB796 CA Orick Redwood National Park station gets out pretty well with information about elk viewing areas on Davidson Rd. near US 101.
- 1610 (KPB795) CA Prairie Creek Redwood National Park station not noted, and no signs were up for it.
- 1610 (KPB799) CA Pt. Mugu Signs are still up for the Santa Monica Mountains NRA station, but I suspect it has been off for years.
- 1610 KPB749 CA Pt. Reyes National Seashore Primary station for this area gets out well with information for visitors approaching the lighthouse, visitor center on Sir Francis Drake Highway, and Tomales Bay. This one really gets out well along the coast to the north.
- 1610 KPB749 CA Pt. Reyes National Seashore: Stinson Beach There is a low-power station located along Hwy 1 just north of Stinson Beach. The tape loop uses the same callsign as the main station, but includes information for people approaching Point Reyes National Seashore from Stinson Beach. Signs along Hwy 1.
- 1610 (KPB749) CA Pt. Reyes National Seashore: Olema We noted signs for a third station at this location, but no station was operating there at the time.
- 1610 (KMC471) CA Ridgecrest This station has never been noted from US 395, nor was it noted the night we stayed in Ridgecrest a few years ago.
- 1610 (KPD607) CA Santa Cruz No station noted as we drove through.
- 1610 (HAR) CA Tahoe Vista No sign of any HAR station here. I don't think KNEU564 Tahoe City was on either, but we weren't close enough to be sure.
- 1610 (KNEU564) CA Truckee Noted fairly new-looking signs on CA-89 at the N. end of town. Station wasn't on as we drove through.
- 1610 KNEC996 CA Yosemite area (west end, exact location unknown) - Noted on numerous nights with the following message: "You're listening to the Yosemite Area travelers (network?). Welcome to the Yosemite region. Sonora Pass is open. Tioga Pass is open. This message will be updated as conditions change."
- 1610 KNEC996 CA Yosemite area (east end, Lee Vining) The Tioga Pass road condition HAR is now operated by CalTrans, presumably from their maintenance yard near the junction of US 395 and CA-120, and now using these call letters which are normally associated with mobile CalTrans stations. This station does not currently get out like the one at the west end does. The tape loop contains most of the information in the west end station's tape loop (except for the Sonora pass update), plus a section on the Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS). The YARTS information is probably a holdover from the tri-county radio station that used to be here (WPIR354). Delete the listing for WPIR354 in Lee Vining.
- 1610 HAR NV Carson City NV DoT HAR is on and gets out pretty well with detailed road closure //530 Lake Tahoe.
- 1610 HAR NV Sparks? From Burney, CA at night, we heard a test message from NV DoT that seemed to be saying it was in Sparks. We were in Carson City a day or so later and it definitely wasn't that station, so we may have a new HAR station in Sparks.
- 1610 (TIS) OR Beaver Hill We were in this area for 2-3 days and there was no sign of a Forest Talk station here.
- 1610 (WPIR870) OR Berry Bogs We were in this area for 2-3 days and there was no sign of any station in the (cranberry) bogs area near Bandon.
- 1610 Realtor OR Brookings Talking house noted as we drove through. Must have been a few blocks off the highway as it was barely audible.
- 1610 KOC741 OR Cave Junction Oregon Caves National Monument TIS is located at or near the Illinois Valley visitor center in Cave Junction. Gets out very poorly, possibly carrier current. Tape loop includes call letters.

- 1610 (KOC736) OR Crater Lake NP - Annie Spring (south) entrance station was running OC and getting out poorly. No signs.
- 1610 (KOC737) OR Crater Lake NP - (north) entrance station was not on as we drove by. No signs.
- 1610 (KOC735) OR Crater Lake NP - Rim Village station was not on the 2 days we stayed here. No signs.
- 1610 (WPF1870) OR Curtin No sign of a TIS here.
- 1610 (WNFP221) OR Drain No sign of a TIS here.
- 1610 (KOC713) OR Ft. Klamath No sign of a TIS as we drove through. There wasn't one when I drove through in 1988 either, so this station is probably long gone.
- 1610 (KOQ226) OR Glenada No sign of any TIS in Glenada.
- 1610 (KOQ227) OR North Bend No sign of any TIS in North Bend. This station is listed as pertaining to the Siuslaw National Forest, but this forest does not extend down to the North Bend area. We went as far north as Heceta Head lighthouse and found no TIS that would match this description.
- 1610 (TIS) OR Pass Creek No sign of a Forest Talk station here. This listing may be a redundant listing of the Curtin or Drain stations. Another station is listed in Cottage Grove, but we weren't quite close enough to Cottage Grove to verify that station was off too.
- 1610 (KOQ228) OR Reedsport No sign of any TIS in Reedsport.
- 1610 (WNLA427) OR Reedsport-Dune Creek No sign of any TIS at the Dune Creek elk viewing area east of Reedsport on OR-38.
- 1610 TIS OR Tillamook State Forest This was the only Oregon "Forest Talk" station noted while we were in SW Oregon, and it gets out really well at night with a long tape loop geared for motorists on Oregon highway 6. Mentioned offices in Forest Grove and Tillamook.
- 1610 (KOQ229) OR Winchester Hill No sign of a TIS here. Looks like this entire series of stations is gone.
- 1610 WPKY673 WA George This unique station is still getting out well. Logged at night from Bandon, OR with "Agfarmation" format. Tape loop contained a very full ID except for incorrect call letters "WFPY673".
- 1610 TIS WA Richland NOAA weather relay station is still getting out well. Logged from Bandon, OR at night.
- 1610 WPKV296 WA Toppenish City TIS gets out very well with civic information (points of historical interest, etc.). Logged from Bandon, OR at night.
- 1620 WPTD929 CA Malibu Listed as multiple stations, but there seemed to be only one transmitter, around the junction of CA-1 and CA-23. Covered most of Malibu's 27 mile city limits with faint signals at either end.
- 1620 WPMR237 CA Morro Bay City TIS gets out very well with typical civic information.
- 1620 WPQY890 CA Oceano Tape loop with 2 men talking about the Oceano Dunes State Vehicle Recreation Area and nearby Oso Flaco Lake.
- 1620 WNZA955 CA Pebble Beach Gets out well with civic information (message was largely about trash collection).
- 1620 (WPKE794) CA Torrance. Was off the air on 10/5. (This one was on a few months ago, may have just been off the air today). I've never logged the CalTrans HAR that has been listed on 1620 in Torrance.
- 1630 (HAR) CA Arcata We found no evidence of a station on 1630 in this area as had been listed.
- 1630 Realtor NV Gardnerville Talking house from Carson Valley Homes realtor.
- 1630 (TIS) NV Lake Tahoe No TIS was noted from the north or east shores of the lake.
- 1660 Realtor CA Gleason Beach Adams Realty talking house for beachfront home at 5885 N Hwy 1 in Sonoma County north of Bodega Bay. Realtor's name was Scott Adams (guess the Dilbert royalties must have tapered off recently!).
- 1670 TIS CA Ft. Bragg "Fort Bragg Visitor Information Radio" is still on the air despite KNRO-1670, but gets out very poorly. Possibly carrier current. Only audible for a few blocks during the day and doesn't get out at night. Tape loop is mostly a plug for the transmitter company that donated the equipment. Noted one tiny AM 1670 sign near a gas station.

- 1680 WPPD481 CA Pescadero City TIS contains two messages: a tape loop with information and a two-minute snippet from NOAA weather. Gets out well along the coast.
- 1680 TIS CA Truckee-Lake Tahoe North Star Ski Area TIS puts out a strong midday signal but there are no signs along CA-267 to call attention to it.
- 1700 WNCM749 CA Burbank Burbank Airport station really gets out well these days. Logged as far north as The Sea Ranch, CA (100+ miles north of San Francisco).
- 1700 (HAR) CA Los Angeles Airport area traffic station signs are still up, so this station was probably just off today.
- 1700 WPMD956 CA Norwalk Cerritos College station also gets out very well, logged as far north as Bandon, OR.
- 1700 WPTZ516 CA Oakland Oakland Airport TIS gets out well, logged from Bandon and Crater Lake, OR at night. Be careful not to get this one mixed up with the Burbank Airport station which also gets out well.

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| 610 CKTB St. Catharines, ON | 107.7 WNSA Wethersfield Township, NY |
| 1240 WJTN Jamestown, NY | (Flagship Station) |
| 1360 WOEN Olean, NY | |

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| 600 WSJS Winston-Salem, NC | 1240 WJNC Jacksonville, NC |
| 620 WDNC Durham, NC | 1250 WGHB Farmville, NC |
| 630 WMFD Wilmington, NC | 1360 WCHL Chapel Hill, NC |
| 850 WRBZ Raleigh, NC | 1490 WRMT Rocky Mount, NC |
| 910 WSTK Jacksonville, NC | |
| 990 WEBB Southern Pines, NC | 97.9 WRUP New Bern, NC (Bayboro, NC?) |
| 1200 WSML Graham, NC | 98.3 WDLZ Murfreesboro, NC |
| 1230 WFAY Fayetteville, NC | 107.3 WTKF Morehead City, NC (Atlantic, NC?) |
| 1230 WLNR Kinston, NC | |
| 1230 WMFR High Point, NC | |

Colorado Avalanche

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| 590 KCSJ Pueblo, CO | 1310 KFKA Greeley, CO |
| 610 KCSR Chadron, NE | 1340 KTMM Grand Junction, CO |
| 690 KRGS Rifle, CO | 1450 KBFS Belle Fourche, SD |
| 730 KLOE Goodland, KS | |
| 740 KVOR Colorado Springs, CO | 96.9 KBCR Steamboat Springs, CO |
| 950 KKFN Denver, CO (Flagship Station) | 100.5 KRSJ Durango, CO |
| 960 KNEB Scottsbluff, NE | 104.7 KNNG Sterling, CO |
| 1010 KSIR Brush, CO | 104.7 KSKE Vail, CO |
| 1230 KBCR Steamboat Springs, CO | 106.1 KNFO Basalt, CO |

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930 WEOL Elyria, OH	1490 WMOA Marietta, OH
970 WATH Athens, OH	1490 WMRN Marion, OH
990 WTIG Massillon, OH	1600 WULM Springfield, OH
1160 WBOB Florence, KY	
1240 WBBW Youngstown, OH	92.7 WQEL Bucyrus, OH
1270 WUCO Marysville, OH	94.3 WKKI Celina, OH
1320 WLOH Lancaster, OH	100.9 WJAW McConnellsville, OH
1390 WBLL Bellefontaine, OH	101.1 WWCD Grove City, OH Flagship Station
1430 WCLT Newark, OH	107.3 WYBZ Crooksville, OH
1460 WBNS Columbus, OH Flagship Station	

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590 WJMS Ironwood, MI	1340 WBBL Grand Rapids, MI
600 WCHT Escanaba, MI	1340 WMBN Petoskey, MI
630 CFCO Chatham, ON	1380 WPHM Port Huron, MI
790 WSGW Saginaw, MI	1400 WRCC Battle Creek, MI
940 WGMV South Haven, MI	1400 WSJM St. Joseph, MI
940 WIDG St. Ignace, MI	1440 WCCY Houghton, MI
970 WKHM Jackson, MI	1450 WHTC Holland, MI
1050 WTKA Ann Arbor, MI	1470 WLQR Toledo, OH
1230 WSOO Sault Sainte Marie, MI	1490 WABJ Adrian, MI
1240 WATT Cadillac, MI	1500 WDDE Reed City, MI
1240 WCBY Cheboygan, MI	1550 WSHN Fremon, MI
1270 WMKT Charlevoix, MI	
1270 WXYT Detroit, MI Flagship station	92.7 WQTX Charlotte, MI
1290 CJBK London, ON	

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610 WIOD Miami, FL	1330 WJNX Ft. Pierce, FL
770 WWCN North Ft. Myers, FL	1600 WKWF Key West, FL

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610 KDAL Duluth, MN	1390 KXSS Waite Park, MN
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540 WDXN Clarksville, TN/Fort Campbell, KY	1400 WWTM Huntsville/Decatur, AL
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950 KAHJ Auburn, CA
970 KESP Modesto, CA
1270 KXBX Lakeport, CA
1340 KATA Arcata, CA
1340 KCBL Fresno, CA
1380 KTOM Salinas, CA (some games)

1400 KVBL Visalia, CA (partial schedule)
1460 KTXS Salinas, CA (most games)
1490 KRKC King City, CA (30-game
schedule beginning in November)
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98.5 KFOX San Jose, CA Flagship Station

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