

Rethink Your STL



Broadcasters Own Beachfront Property



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Problem #1 - Wireless Operators Want Your Beachfront Property



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- Allows broadcasters access to POFS channels in the 900 MHz band.

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- Allows use of adaptive modulation and power on old Part 74 channels.
- Two 25MHz bands at 6975 7025 and 13150 13200 are reserved now for TV ENG nationwide.



• What should you do?



Understand the nature of fixed service path registration

Check the FCC Universal Licensing System (ULS) records for your links.



Make sure your records of 7 GHz and 13 GHz operations are complete and accurate.



Are your transmit and receive locations both registered?

32.69832° N 117.37189° W

WPX357

32.35643° N 117.1923° W



Is the height of your receive antenna above ground correct?



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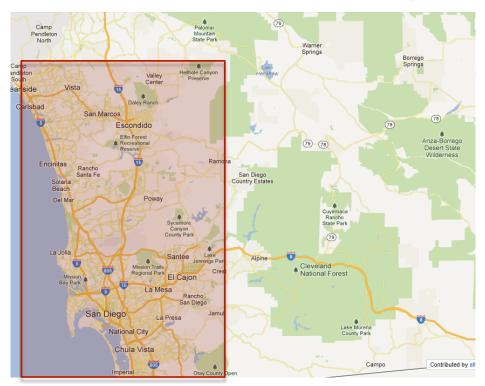
Is the make and model of your receive antenna correct?



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If you operate ENG on 7 GHz or 13 GHz, make sure that your operation "rectangle" is registered and sufficiently large.



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Did I say register ALL of your ENG receive sites?



Confirm with GPS and Google Earth



If you need to make a correction to add your receive sites, a Prior Coordination Notice (PCN) is not required for your filing if your original application was on a paper Form 313 and didn't require receive site coordinates.



Otherwise, file a PCN.



Microwave Coordination Services

- Comsearch, Ashburn, VA
- Radyn, Bethesda, MD
- Micronet, Plano, TX



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Consider filing for backhaul channel. Simplex is so...1999.

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Should I use 2.4 GHz, 5.8 GHz, or 24 GHz unlicensed Part 15 radios?



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No!

- Unless you and your management truly don't care about outages.
- Or your studio and transmitter are a short distance apart...in the desert.
- You get what you pay for.

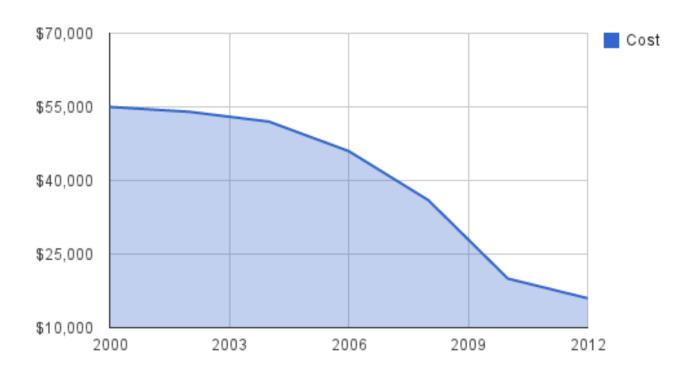


New Part 101 radios are amazing.



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They are far less expensive than in the past.



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They are far more flexible with respect to...

- Frequency
- Power
- Bandwidth
- Modulation
- Arrangement



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70 & 80 GHz 3 mi.



Adaptive Coding & Modulation (ACM).







4PSK

16QAM

256QAM



Adaptive Transmission Power Contol (ATPC).







30dBm

24dBm

18dBm



Forward Error Correction coding FEC





.81

.92 Reed-Solomon 188/204



Indoor Unit (IDU)





Outdoor Unit (ODU)



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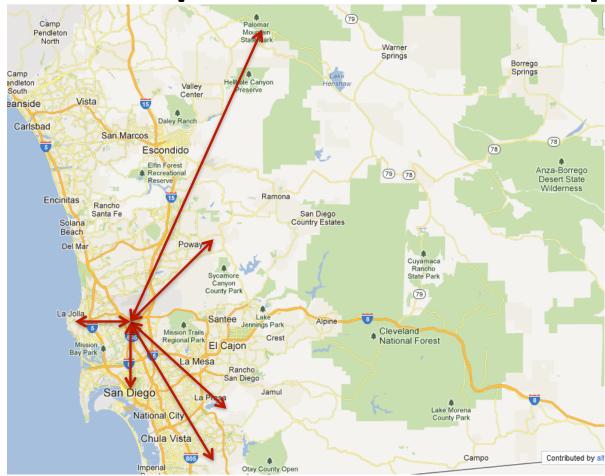
Split unit – IDU + OD



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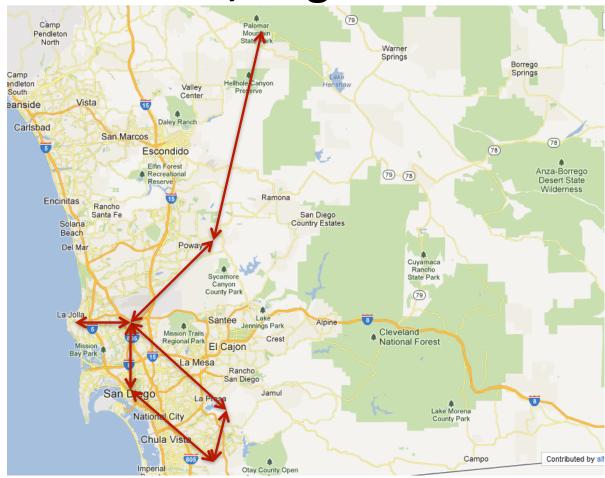
Hub and spoke "Point-to-multipoint"



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Shorter links, ring



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Data throughput influenced by:

- Bandwidth of FCC allocation used.
- Modulation scheme
- FEC ratio ("coding")
- Multiple paths in rings or meshes
- Dual cross-pol feeds



Many brands

- Locals Trango and E-band
- Dragonwave
- Ceragon
- Exalt
- Bridgewave



Get help! Allow me to...

- Confirm your current system.
- File for new links.
- Wade through the available radios.
- Get a system at a discount.



Thanks...

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