

Commissioner to receive a personal copy of your comments, you must file an original and nine copies. Comments and reply comments should be sent to Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222, Washington, D.C. 20554. Parties should also submit two copies of comments and reply comments to Bobby Brown, Commercial Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, 2025 M Street, N.W., Room 7130, Washington, D.C. 20554. Parties should also file one copy of any documents filed in this docket with the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., 2100 M Street, N.W., Suite 140, Washington, D.C. 20037.

E. Authority

The above action is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, §§ 1, 4, 222, 252(c)(5), 301, and 303, 47 U.S.C. §§ 151, 154, 222, 252(c)(5), 301, and 303, as amended, and Section 601(d) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Section 601(d), Public Law 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (1996).

F. Ordering Clauses

It is ordered that pursuant to Sections 1, 4, 222, 252(c)(5), 301, and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 151, 154, 222, 252(c)(5), 301, and 303, and Section 601(d) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Section 601(d), Public Law 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (1996), a *notice of proposed rulemaking* is hereby *adopted*.

It is further ordered that comments in WT Docket No. 96-162 will be due October 3, 1996 and reply comments will be due October 24, 1996.

It is further ordered that, pursuant to Sections 1.3 and 22.19 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 1.3, 22.19, all Bell Operating Companies are hereby granted a WAIVER of the provisions of Section 22.903 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR 22.903 with respect to the provision of cellular service outside of their in-region service areas as defined herein.

It is further ordered that, pursuant to Sections 1.3 and 22.19 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.3, 22.19, a waiver of Section 22.903 with respect to the provision of cellular service outside of their in-region service areas as defined herein, is GRANTED to Bell Atlantic NYNEX Mobile, Inc. and US West, Inc.

It is further ordered that, the Secretary shall send a copy of this *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, including the regulatory flexibility certification, to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration, in accordance

with paragraph 603(a) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. §§ 601 *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 22

Communications common carriers, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96-153; RM-8804]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Batesville, AR

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed by Arkansas Radio Broadcasters, seeking the allotment of Channel 258A to Batesville, Arkansas, as that community's second local FM service. Coordinates used for this proposal are 35-50-28 and 91-34-45.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before September 16, 1996, and reply comments on or before October 1, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, as follows: Arkansas Radio Broadcasters, Attn: Carol B. Ingram, President, P.O. Box 73, Batesville, MS 38606.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy Joyner, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, MM Docket No. 96-153, adopted May 24, 1996, and released July 26, 1996. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed

Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, See 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Notice of Reopening of Comment Period on Proposed Threatened and Endangered Status for Seven Desert Milk-Vetch Taxa From California and Nevada

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; Notice of reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), provides notice of reopening of the comment period for five plants that have been proposed as endangered: Lane Mountain milk-vetch (*Astragalus jaegerianus*), Coachella Valley milk-vetch (*Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *coachellae*), Fish Slough milk-vetch (*Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *piscinensis*), Peirson's milk-vetch (*Astragalus magdalenae* var. *peirsonii*), and triple-ribbed milk-vetch (*Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *micans*); and two plants that have been proposed as threatened: shining milk-vetch (*Astragalus tricarlinatus*) and Sodaville milk-vetch (*Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *sesquimetalis*). The comment period has been reopened to acquire additional information from interested parties, and to reconsider the proposed listing actions.

DATES: The public comment period closes October 18, 1996. Any comments received by the closing date will be considered in the final decision on this proposal.