

Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 01-101 adopted April 18, 2001, and released April 27, 2001. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., 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, located at 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

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

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List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission proposes to amend 47 CFR Part 73 as follows:

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

1. The authority citation for Part 73 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, and 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Florida, is amended by adding Neptune Beach, Channel 250C2, and removing Channel 250C2 at St. Augustine.

Federal Communications Commission.

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

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 01-1093; MM Docket No. 01-102, RM-10100, MM Docket No. 01-103, RM-10102; MM Docket No. 01-104, RM-10103; MM Docket No. 01-105, RM-10104; MM Docket No. 01-106, RM-10105]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Plainville, GA; Rosholt, WI; Auburn, AL; Shiner, TX; and Pacific City, OR

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document proposes five new allotments to Plainville, Georgia; Rosholt, Wisconsin; Auburn, Alabama; Shiner, Texas; and Pacific City, Oregon. The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Plainville Communications proposing the allotment of Channel 285A at Plainville, Georgia as the community's first local aural transmission service. Channel 285A can be allotted to Plainville in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 6.5 kilometers (4.0 miles) northwest to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station WFSH-FM, Channel 284C1, Athens, Georgia. The coordinates for Channel 285A at Plainville are 34-25-58 North Latitude and 85-05-48 West Longitude. The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Craig Norlin proposing the allotment of Channel 263A at Rosholt, Wisconsin, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Channel 263A can be allotted to Rosholt in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 8.6 kilometers (5.3 miles) northwest to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed sites of Station WIZD(FM), Channel 260C3, Rudolph, Wisconsin, and Station WNYC-FM, Channel 262, Neenah-Menasha, Wisconsin. The coordinates for Channel 263A at Rosholt are 44-40-12 North Latitude and 89-23-45 West Longitude. See Supplementary Information, *infra*.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before June 18, 2001, and reply comments on or before July 3, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau (202) 418-2180.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, his counsel, or consultant, as follows: Jerry D. Braswell, Plainville

Communications, P.O. Drawer 90, Hawkinsville, Georgia 31036-0090 (Petitioner); Harry F. Cole, Esq., Bechtel & Coe, Chartered, 1901 L Street, NW., Suite 250, Washington, DC 20036 (Counsel for Craig Norlin); Lee G. Petro, Esq., Gardner, Carton & Douglas, 1301 K Street, NW., Suite 900, East Tower, Washington, DC 20005-3317 (Counsel for Auburn Network, Inc.); David P. Garland, President, Stargazer Broadcasting, Inc., P.O. Box 519, Woodville, Texas 75979 (Petitioner); and John L. Zolkoske, 915 N. Douglas Ave., Stayton, Oregon 97383 (Petitioner).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 01-102; MM Docket No. 01-103; and MM Docket No. 01-104, MM Docket No. 01-105 and MM Docket No. 01-106, adopted April 18, 2001, and released April 27, 2001. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Auburn Network, Inc., proposing the allotment of Channel 263A at Auburn, Alabama, as the community's second local FM transmission service. Channel 263A can be allotted to Auburn in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements site restriction of 3.2 kilometers (2.0 miles) south to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station WLXY(FM), Channel 263C1, Northport, Alabama. The coordinates for Channel 263A at Auburn are 32-34-54 North Latitude and 85-29-17 West Longitude.

The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Stargazer Broadcasting, Inc., proposing the allotment of Channel 232A at Shiner, Texas, as the community's first local aural transmission service. Channel 232A can be allotted to Shiner in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements site restriction of 5.1 kilometers (3.2 miles) west to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station KAJI(FM), Channel 231C3, Point Comfort, Texas. The coordinates for Channel 232A at Shiner are 29-25-59 North Latitude and 97-13-20 West Longitude. Since Shiner is located

within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the U.S.-Mexican border, concurrence of the Mexican government has been requested.

The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by John L. Zolkoske proposing the allotment of Channel 282A at Pacific City, Oregon as the community's first local aural transmission service. Channel 282A can be allotted to Pacific City in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements at city reference coordinates. The coordinates for Channel 282A at Pacific City are 45-12-09 North Latitude and 123-57-42 West Longitude.

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2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Alabama, is amended by adding Channel 263A at Auburn.

3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Georgia, is amended by adding Plainville, Channel 285A.

4. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Oregon, is amended by adding Pacific City, Channel 282A.

5. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Texas, is amended by adding Shiner, Channel 232A.

6. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Wisconsin, is amended by adding Rosholt, Channel 236A.

Federal Communications Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

RIN 1018-AH05

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reopening of Comment Period for the Proposal To Designate Critical Habitat for the Wenatchee Mountains Checker-Mallow, and Notice of Availability of the Draft Economic Analysis for Proposed Critical Habitat for the Wenatchee Mountains Checker-Mallow

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period and notice of availability of draft economic analysis.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the reopening of the comment period for the proposed designation of critical habitat for the Wenatchee Mountains checker-mallow (*Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*), and the availability of the draft economic analysis for the plant's proposed designation of critical habitat. We are reopening the comment period for the proposal to designate critical habitat for this species to allow all interested parties to comment simultaneously on the proposed rule and the associated draft economic analysis. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted as they will be incorporated into the public record as part of this extended comment period and will be fully considered in the final rule.

DATES: We will accept public comments until June 14, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and information should be submitted to Manager, Western Washington Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 510 Desmond Drive SE., Suite 102, Lacey, Washington 98503-1263. For the electronic mail address, and further instructions on commenting, refer to Public Comments Solicited section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, contact Ted Thomas or James Michaels, at the above

address (telephone 360/753-9440; facsimile 360/753-9518).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Wenatchee Mountains checker-mallow (*Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*) is an herbaceous perennial known from wetlands of the Wenatchee Mountains in central Washington. The plant ranges in height from 20 to 150 centimeters (8 to 60 inches), with pink flower clusters with one to many stalked flowers arranged singly along a common stem. The species occurs at six locations, all are known from Chelan County, Washington.

Pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva* was listed as an endangered species on December 22, 1999 (64 FR 71680). Habitat fragmentation and destruction from alterations of hydrology, rural residential development, conversion of native wetlands to orchards and other agricultural uses, competition from nonnative plants, seed and plant collection, and fire suppression and the activities associated with fire suppression threaten *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*.

In April 2000, as a result of a suit from the Southwest Center for Biological Diversity and the Center for Biological Diversity, we reached a settlement agreement on when to publish a proposed and final critical habitat designation for *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*. We agreed to publish a proposed critical habitat designation for this species on or before December 31, 2000, and a final critical habitat designation on or before August 31, 2001.

On January 18, 2001, we published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 4783) to designate critical habitat for *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*. The original comment period closed on March 19, 2001. We intend to reopen the comment period for an additional 30 days to allow all interested parties to comment simultaneously on the proposed rule and the associated draft economic analysis.

We have proposed to designate critical habitat in one critical habitat unit totaling approximately 2,486 hectares (6,137 acres) in Chelan County, Washington. The area encompasses a majority of the Camas Creek and Pendleton Creek watersheds.

Critical habitat receives protection from destruction or adverse modification through required consultation under section 7 of the Act with regard to actions carried out,