

K41FJ-D, Coeur D’Alene, Idaho  
Facility ID 34861

Special Temporary Authority Request

EXPEDITED ACTION REQUESTED

KING Broadcasting Company (“KING”) requests special temporary authority (STA) to operate K41FJ-D on the channel proposed in its displacement application, File Number 0000054523. The application filed by K41FJ-D in the special displacement window has been accepted for filing. The proposed facility complies with the FCC’s technical and interference rules (see attached engineering documents).

K41FJ-D received a 120-day letter notification from T-Mobile stating K41FJ-D must cease operations or eliminate the potential for harmful interference that no later than September 26, 2018.

However, K41FJ-D’s timeline is further compressed by circumstances beyond KING’s control. The tower where K41FJ-D is currently located is being removed and replaced by a new nearby structure. Construction of the new tower is expected to be completed in early July, and at the request of the Idaho Forest Service, the current tower will be promptly removed once the new tower is constructed.

As a consequence of the above, KING is faced with the prospect of constructing facilities for K41FJ-D twice in a short period of time—first moving the Channel 41 facility to the new tower in July, and then constructing the new displacement facility on Channel 30.

Grant of this STA request will allow KING to focus its resources (i.e., tower crews, construction equipment, associated expenses, etc.) on a single build, thereby conserving resources. Additionally, grant of the STA will ensure that K41FJ-D can continue to serve its community during this year’s fire season, which is expected to last into early October.

Therefore, KING respectfully requests expedited processing of this request for special temporary authority.

KING understands that K41FJ-D may be required to terminate its STA operations if the application, File Number 0000054523, is ultimately not granted.