

KRTZ

BROADCASTING STATION HISTORY RECORD

First licensed
Call Letters KRTZ (EFF. 5-4-81)
XK E E O
Station Location Cortez, Colorado

Name REX K. JENSON

Transmitter Location 15 miles at 306° from Cortez, Colorado

Main studio location 1301 East Main Street, Cortez, Colorado

Authorization Record

File No.	Granted	Facilities	Expires
BPH-791107AB HAAT: 2900' (H&V) (L)	12-3-80	98.7mhz ERP: 27kw (H&V) CP FOR NEW FM STATION	12-3-81
BPH-791107AB (1)	2-3-81	CALL LETTERS ASSIGNED & ERSA ISSUED.	
E B S A	5-4-81	CALL SIGN CHANGE	

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters **K R T Z**
X K E E O
..... **NEW FM**.....

Name **Rex K. Jensen**
Cortez, Colorado (PO Box 8088, Missoula, Mt 59807)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-791107AB ACCEPTED		CP for new FM on: Frequency: 98.7MHz #254 ERP: 27.0KW H&V HAAT: 2897'H&V TL: Hermano Peak, 15 miles 306° from Cortez, Co. SL&RC: 1301 E Main St., Cortez, Colorado 37 13 10 108 48 26 ATTY: Jeffery Southmaydc	GRANTED	12-3-80
PN RECD JUN 13 80	12-10-79 JUL 25 80			
Amended	11-17-80	E.E.O. Programs (Exhibit 10)		

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

