

Exhibit 17
K248CN, Ariel, WA, Minor Modification
Environmental Statement
Washington State University

The proposed site is not in an officially designated wilderness area, wildlife preserve, flood plain, or near a site that is either listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The proposed construction will not adversely affect any listed or proposed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitats, or any sites significant to Native American Religious practice, and will not involve any significant change in surface features. The applicant does not propose to light the antenna support structure with high intensity white lighting.

The proposed facility is located at an existing broadcast transmission site located in a rural area. The site is fenced with a locked gate that prevents public access. There are no nearby residential or office sites that have occupants.

The proposed facility will operate with a circularly polarized antenna with an effective radiated power (ERP) of 5 watts. Since the total ERP of 10 watts is less than 100 watts, the proposed facility is excluded from environmental processing under the current FCC standard regarding human exposure to nonionizing radiation and need not be considered in conjunction with other co-located or nearby facilities in evaluating compliance with this standard.

The applicant is cognizant of their responsibility to protect those workers whose duties require that they be in the vicinity of the antenna from exposure to radio frequency fields in excess of permitted exposure levels. To that end, the applicant will insure that signage is attached to the base of the antenna support structure warning all workers of the potential for harmful exposure and directing them to contact the responsible person at the proposed broadcast station. That person will ascertain whether the worker will be in areas where there is an exposure hazard, and if so, arrange to shut down the transmitter. The applicant will also coordinate with other users of the site to reduce power or cease operation in order to protect persons having access to the site, tower or antenna from radiofrequency radiation in excess of Commission guidelines.

For these reasons, the applicant believes that a Commission grant of this application would not have a significant environmental impact.