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FREQUENCY MODULATION

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

11-5-76 Auth. gr. for on-the-air I.D. as Big Stone Gap-Appalachia, Virginia

Official No. 3110

Date first licensed 10-1-75

Call letters W L S D-FM

Station location Big Stone Gap, Virginia

VALLEY BROADCATING, INC ALH 4-23-80, EFF: 5-1-80

xx BIG STONE BROADCASTING CORPORATION (ALH gr 10/8/76 EFF: 11/1/76

Name of licensee xW. H. WREN, JR., tr/as GAP BROADCASTING COMPANY

*(MPH-9-19-73)

Transmitter location 3 mi. SE of Big Stone Gap on Powell Mtn., Big Stone Gap, Virginia *
XLittle Stone Mounatin, 5 miles northeast of Big Stone Gap, Virginia
(PH-12-13-72)

Main studio location Intermont Heights, Big Stone Gap Virginia (PH-12-13-72)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BPH-8049 HAAT: 1080'	12-13-72 (H&V)	93.5mc #228 CP for New FM Station	ERP: 16.5w	(H&V) (RC)	12-13-73
BPH-8049(1)	1-8-73	Call letters assigned.			
EBSA	2-28-73				
BMPH-13,888 HAAT: 1210'	(L)9-19-73 (H&V)	93.5mhz. #228 MP(BPH-8049) chg. TL, trans., ant., (incr. hgt.) chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT.	ERP: 120w (RC)	(H&V)	12-13-73
BMPH-13,946 (1)	12-6-73	MP(BPH-8049 as mod) Extension time			6-13-74
BMPH-14,131 (2)	6-19-74	MP(BPH-8049, as mod) ext. time to			12-13-74
BMPH-14,333 (3)	1-9-75	MP(BPH-8049, as mod) ext			to 3-1-75
BMPH-14,422(4) BSCA-1459	3-12-75 5-7-75	MP(BPH-8049, as mod) SCA 67KHz.			ext time 9-1-75
BLH-6671(L)	10-1-75	Lic.(BPH-8049, as mod.)-New sta.-10-1-78			
BALH-2336 BASCA-763	10/8/76	Vol ALH & SCA EFF: 11/1/76			
Ltr.Recd.	3-21-79	RC: 206 W. 5th. St., Big Stone Gap, Va.			
BRH-1310(L) RSCA-1459	11-13-78	Renewal of License Renewal of SCA			10-1-81
BALH800225FH	4-23-80	VOL AL.			EFF: 5-1-80

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WLSD-FM
XNEW-FM

Name W. H. Wren, Jr., tr/as Gap Broadcasting Company
Big Stone Gap, Virginia(PO Drawer W, Big Stone Gap, Va. 24219)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BPH-8049 R & F #052465 $100 CODE: 013 PRESS: SEP 28 1972 PN REC'd:	3-13-72 3-20-72 3-20-72 4-26-72	CP for New FM on: 93.5mc. #228 HAAT: 1075'(h&v) ERP: .165kw(h&v) Trans: Sparta-600, Ant: Jampro-JLCP-2, 2 sects. (h&v). TL: 5 mi. NE of City on Little Stone Mtn., Big Stone Gap, Virginia. SL & RC: Intermont Heights, Big Stone Gap, Va. 36° 54' 31" - 82° 42' 12" REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.207 COMM. RULES. Atty--- Engr- Louis A. King(Briston, Tenn.)	(8-29-72, Request for. Waiver gr. and appli. Accepted for filing.) GRANTED Grant Fee: $900.00 Paid:014,	12-13-72 12-22-72, W 138268
AMENDED	11-30-72	Section IV-A		

CONTACT: Robert L. Tamer, Station Mgr.
Intermont Heights
Big Stone Gap, Virginia
(703) 523-1700 or 523-2711

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93.5mhz.

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

Call Letters W L S D-FM

Name W. H. WREN, Jr., tr/as Gap Broadcasting Company
Big Stone Gap, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action: Nature	Action: Date
BMPH-13,888 R & F #217902 $50 CODE: 057	7-17-73 7-25-73 7-26-73	MP(BPH-8049) chg. TL to: 3 mi. SE of Big Stone GAP on Powell Mtn., Big Stone Gap, Virginia; chg. trans.(COLLINS-830-1B); chg. Ant.(COLLINS-LPC-1, 1 sect.(h&v); make chgs. in Ant. System (incr. hght); chg. TPO; ERP: 120Watts(h&v); chg. HAAT: 1210'(h&v). REQUEST WAIVER OF SECTION 73.213(f)(1) of the COMMISSION RULES. 36° 50' 26" - 82° 44' 14" Atty---	9-19-73. waiver granted. accepted granted. GRANTED 9-19-73 Cond'l re: use of ant. struct. by WLSD(AM).	Request for and appli.
BMPH-13,946 R & F #253783 $50 Code 057	11-15-73 11-19-73 11-21-73	MP (BPH-8049, as mod.) ext. time to _____. (New Station)	GRANTED TO:	12-6-73 6-13-74

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

93.5mhz.

Call Letters W I S D-FM

Name W. H. Wren, Jr. tr/as Gap Broadcasting Company
Big Stone Gap, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMPH-14,131 R & F #309391 $50 Code 057 PRESS	5-25-74 5-28-74 5-29-74 JUN 12 1974	MP(BPH-8049, as mod.) ext. time to 12- -74. (New Station)	GRANTED TO	6-19-74 12-13-74
BMPH-14,333 R & F #364009 $50 Code 057 PRESS	11-11-74 11-13-74 11-13-74 DEC 5 1974	MP(BPH-8049, as mod.) ext. time to 1-31-75. (New Station)	GRANTED TO	1-9-75 3-1-75
BMPH-14,422 R & F #394783 $50 Code 057 PRESS	2-19-75 2-21-75 2-24-75 MAR 6 - 1975	MP(BPH-8049, as mod.) ext. time to 5-31-75. (New Station)	GRANTED TO	3-12-75 9-1-75

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

93.5mhz.

Call Letters W L S D-FM

Name W.H. Wren, Jr. tr/as Gap Broadcasting Company
Big Stone Gap, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BSCA-1459 Reb'd. Filed #416742$100 Code 057 PRESS	3-25-75 4-7-75 4-23-75 4-23-75 APR 28 1975	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67khz.	GRANTED	5-7-75
BLH-6671 R & F W 411567-$100. PTA PRESS	3-25-75 4-7-75 4-10-75-057 4-17-75 MAY 19 1975	Lic.(BPH-8049, as mod.)-New - Transmitter: COLLINS, 830D-B.	GRANTED	10-1-75
Ltr. dated R & F Press	6-29-76 7-9-76 JUL 22 1976	Filed by W.H. Wren, Jr., tr/as GAP BROADCASTING COMPANY Request for Dual City Identification [redacted]: Big Stone Gap-Appalachia, Virginia	GRANTED	11-5-76

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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APPLICATION RECORD · BROADCASTING

VALLEY BROADCASTING, INC.

Call Letters W L S D-FM

XXXX BIG STONE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Name XX W.H. WREN, JR., tr/as GAP BROADCASTING COMPANY
Big Stone Gap, Virginia

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BALH2336 BASCA-763 R & F SEE AM FOR FEE PD AUG 30 1976	7-13-76 8-5-76	Voluntary assignment of license and SCA to BIG STONE BROADCASTING CORPORATION Atty - Miller & Fields	GRANTED EFF: FEE REQ:	10/8/76 11/1/76 pd 10/29/76 W 629934
BRH-3110 BRSCA-1459 R & F PRESS	5-15-78 " 5-31-78 JUN 12 1978	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	11-13-78
BALH-800225FH FORM 314 (ALSO SEE AM) PRESS: MAR 12 1980		Vol assignment of license and SCA to VALLEY BROADCASTING, INC. Atty for assignor - Miller & Fields for assignee - Gammon & Grange	GRANTED EFF:	4-23-80 5-1-80

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: WLSJ-FM

Name: VALLEY BROADCASTING, INC.

Station Location: BIG STONE GAP, VIRGINIA

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
Brh-810601E2 Press: JUN 1 1981		Renewal of License Attorney:---------	GRANTED 10-22-81

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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.