

REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

The University of Rhode Island, licensee of WRIU, FI 69206, Kingston, RI, respectfully requests authority to operate the station with reduced facilities from a nearby location while the station's tower is replaced.

WRIU's tower must be removed due to damage from previous storms. The licensee proposes to operate from a backup single bay antenna, utilizing a 500 watt backup transmitter instead of the 2000 watt transmitter which is the station's main transmitter, located approximately 75 feet about ground level (244 feet AMSL) at the Memorial Union Building on the URI college campus at 41-29-52 and 71-31-42. This is also the location of the WRIU main studio and STL and is ¼ mile from the licensed tower.

The licensee seeks to make the transition in the next 20 days.

Therefore, the licensee respectfully requests Special Temporary Authority to operate WRIU with approximately 500 watts at an alternate location during demolition and replacement of the station's tower.