

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Terminal Radio, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-0088295****Project Title:****Project Type: Maintenance and Repairs**

# Terminal Radio, Inc. - Expand Broadcast Capability Upgrades, Repairs and Replacement

**State Funding Requested: \$40,000****House District: 12 / F**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

Repair, replace, or upgrade existing transmission equipment and expand broadcast capability by adding transmission sites.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$40,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	(\$40,000)
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:*

None

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Repair, replace, or upgrade existing transmission equipment located near Glennallen and perform development, engineering, and licensing activities to expand broadcast capability by adding transmission sites. Current equipment in Glennallen is failing at a rate sooner than anticipated in the current replacement schedule. Terminal Radio continues fund raising to replace aging equipment, but can't absorb the increase to the replacement schedule. Without this equipment replacement, Glennallen will lose a primary source of local news and emergency notification.

**Project Timeline:**

FY 2013 Perform work required

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Terminal Radio, Inc.

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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**\$40,000  
Approved**

Total Project Snapshot Report

2012 Legislature

TPS Report 58793v1

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority?  Yes  No

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# *Terminal Radio, Inc.*

*Prince William Sound and the Copper River Basin*

## **KCHU      KXKM      KXGA**

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Terminal Radio, Inc. serves Prince William Sound and the Copper River Basin with Public Radio, offering local information, news, weather, and much more. Better known as KCHU we serve towns, villages, settlements, and very remote sites with six broadcast sites. Currently, in the Copper River Basin our equipment is failing at the Glennallen site much faster than anticipated. The problems first started this winter and have gotten worse quickly. We have replaced much of the equipment at the site, but this is a large expense and it will need replacing faster than we can place it on our regular replacement schedule.

Expenses related to this replacement include a new antenna, shipping, engineering and legal work, as well as a professional tower crew for the installation. This project is estimated to cost \$35,000.

Along with replacing the necessary equipment, we would like to get engineering and legal work done on expanding our operations. There are some areas in our service region that cannot receive our signal.

As we are employing engineering and legal services for this project, and would like to use their services for possible expansion sites. Because of the terrain and vast distances there are some areas that are unable to get the signal, and the organization has been trying to expand coverage. Getting this work done would be a huge step towards this goal.

Terminal Radio, Inc. is requesting a total of \$40,000.

Thank you for your consideration in funding these projects. We strive to be an active part of the communities we serve, and we strive for continuous improvement.

Respectfully Submitted

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