

**Subject:** KIOF 97.9 FM sponsored event coming up on August 31, 2019

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To: The Honorable Ajit Pai, FCC Chairman

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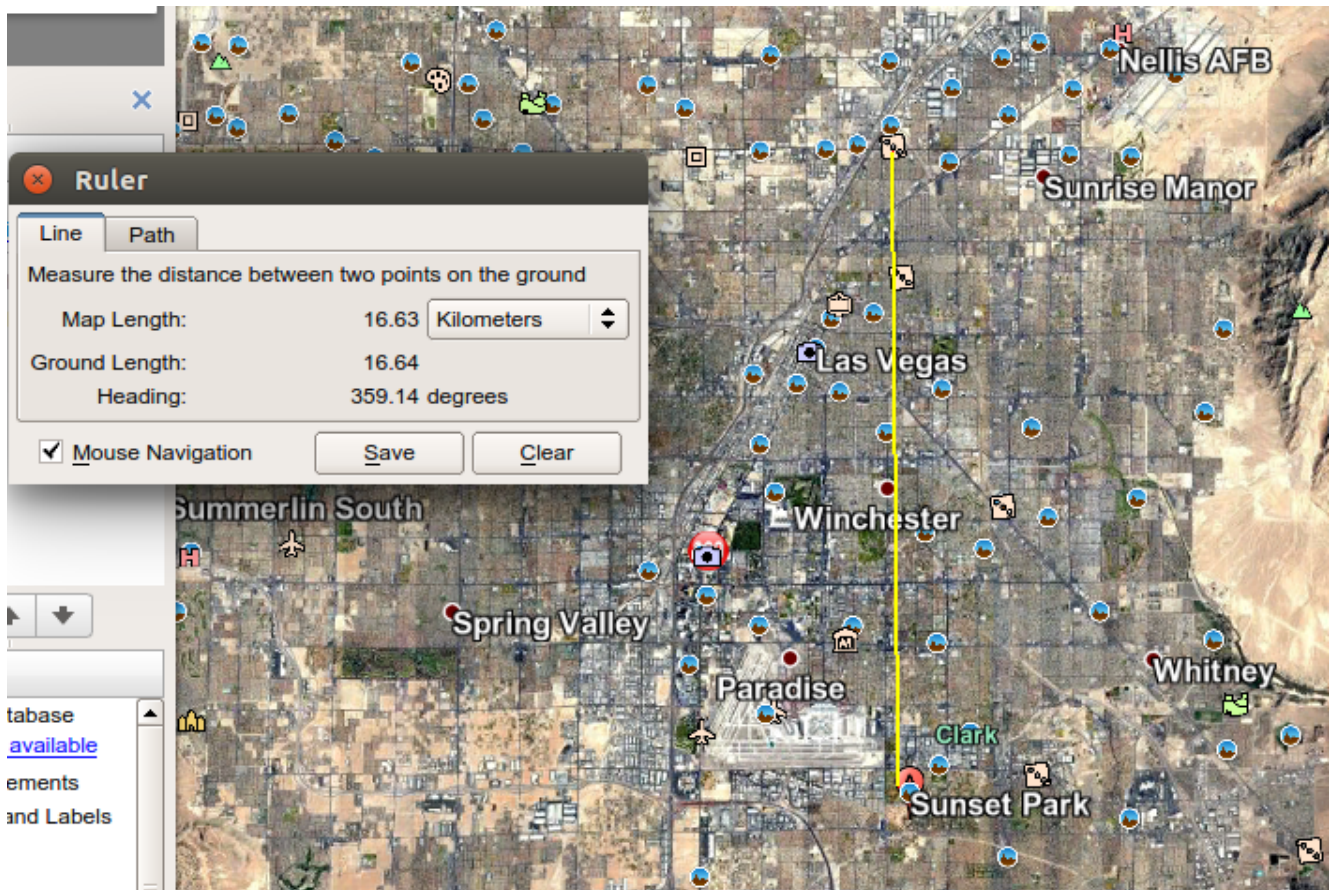
Chairman Pai,

KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio has been asked recently to host a "Live" event for the U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking Stomp Out The Demand 5K - Walk, Jog or Run to STOMP OUT the demand against human trafficking! Your kids and fur-baby can participate too! Sign up to participate in our first annual 5K walk/run, 1 mile kids run, or 1 mile dog walk to be held at Sunset Park in Henderson, Nevada. This relates to the July 30, 2019 - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Improving Low Power FM Radio Service (MB Docket No. 19-193/MB Docket No. 17-105) at <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-19-74A1.pdf> or the attached PDF in these particular areas:

On Page 1 - Item #2, discussion on ...To ensure that LPFM stations provide adequate protection to other LPFM, FM, and FM translator stations under the distance separation method, the Commission built 20 kilometer buffer zones into the separation tables in section 73.807.

On Page 2 and 3 - Item #3, discussion was made regarding rule changes to address difficulties LPFM stations may experience when trying to maximize coverage of their target communities. For example, it seeks more options in equipment used to transmit and re-transmit LPFM signals, increased power, greater flexibility in relocating LPFM facilities, and additional methods for demonstrating interference protection to other stations ... February 2019 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Comparative Standards proceeding.

Chairman Pai - there is basically no KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio signal that can be picked up reasonably at this location on the day of the event where the walkers, joggers and runners will be when measured from the KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio tower site to the actual location of the event (we invite you to stop by the event and listen for yourself to the static):



Is KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio able to request any sort of FCC emergency waiver to "increase power" to a level where our signal can be reasonably picked up by FM receivers at the park on the day of the event? Since we are simply trying to serve our community with yet another "Live" broadcast request and meet the objectives of the LPFM service, typically KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio has to refuse these requests when the general public makes an inquiry into our radio station.

In closing, regarding the anti-competitive business discussion directly around the LPFM service by the Small Business Administration (SBA) in the July 30, 2019 - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Improving Low Power FM Radio Service (MB Docket No. 19-193/MB Docket No. 17-105). Let's look further at anti-competitive business practices with those consecutive denials without any sort of waivers to an LPFM (i.e. KIOF 97.9 FM) by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting in 2016, 2017 and 2018 along with our 2019 application for a Community Service Grant still pending - it's apparent this organization is truly picking winners and losers in market places throughout the United States with the misuse of public federal tax payer money and really isn't sharing with the rest of the country as experienced at KIOF 97.9 FM / Las Vegas Public Radio.

With the Most Respect and Honor, Sir.

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