

In theory, the idea of low power FM is great. We could slow down some of the big corporations who own large portions of the existing frequencies, support freedom of speech, and have a wider radio diversity, among other benefits. Yet, we have to look at this issue realistically. LPFM is bound to cause more problems than benefits. LPFM will cause interference with existing stations, and with so many new stations, it could become impossible to pick up just one station on our receivers.

The average American views radio as a form of entertainment, news etc, but what about the blind and handicapped individuals who depend on the Subsidiary Carrier Authorization? With the additions of LPFM, the SCA would no longer be audible, leaving thousands of Americans without vital information.

The world is changing at tremendous rates. Technology advances at amazing speeds. Digital radio is in the future. It will improve the quality and efficiency of the radio we now have. Yet, with all the new stations, digital radio might not work.

A logical solution to this problem is to make use of television channels 62-68 for the newcomers. The Consumer Electronics Association has proposed allocating these channels for a multi-media wireless broadcasting system. This could include those who want LPFM and wireless cable, as well as Internet broadcasting.

This proposal might take awhile to catch on, but it is the best alternative we have now, to help the future generations. LPFM isn't going to help anyone, the negative aspects greatly outweigh the benefits.