

Calvert County Maryland is seeking to modify its existing authorization under call sign WQXY863 to add slow growth under rule section 90.629(a)(1). In 2014, Calvert initiated the process to replace its 1997 vintage 800 MHz system. Five (5) additional transmitter sites were required to provide coverage to all parts of the County. The County sought slow growth in order to identify and develop new transmitter sites. In 2016 as those five(5) new sites were being identified and developed, it was determined that five additional sites would be required to provide the coverage required by the County bringing the total number of transmitter sites to fifteen (15). Of the ten (10) new sites, five (5) have obtained FAA clearance, received Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) numbers and are being constructed. The remaining five (5) sites have been identified and the County is in the process of obtaining the required state and federal regulatory approvals.

Slow Growth is requested for this authorization to allow adequate time for the ten (10) additional communications towers and transmitter sites to be developed and constructed.

The following implementation schedule is provided:

Contract Awarded	May 2016
Required State and Federal Regulatory reviews and approvals pursued and obtained	May 2016-June 2018
Tower Sites Constructed	May 2016-June 2018
800 MHz Transmitters Deployed and Operational	6/30/2018