


**CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE TO ABUTTING PROPERTY OWNERS**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing letter sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to each of the following abutting landowners:

<b><u>Abutter</u></b>	<b><u>Premises</u></b>	<b><u>Mailing</u></b>
Martin & Noraisha Schiller	328 East Hartland Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	6696 Coronado Palms Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89139
Martin & Noraisha Schiller	344 East Hartland Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	6696 Coronado Palms Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89139
Thomas F. Perez	21 Legeyt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	21 Legeyt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063
Peter S. & Kathleen S. Vangelder	64 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	64 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063
Brian Delisle	68 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	68 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063
Augusta Real Estate, Inc.	65-67 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	11350 McCormick Road Hunt Valley, MD 21031
Nils E. & Gail A. Johnson	55 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	55 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063
Pleasant Valley Company, LLC	45 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	P.O. Box 331 North Canton, CT 06059
Diane K. Soucy	1 Case Road Barkhamsted, CT 060634	1 Case Road Barkhamsted, CT 060634
John B. & Josephine P. Dziarkowski	28 Gavitt Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063	4369 Puritan Ln. Spring Hill, FL 34608

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*Via Certified Mail/  
Return Receipt Requested*

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to Section 16-50i of the Connecticut General Statutes, as an abutting property owner, this is to notify you that, SBA Towers II LLC, with a place of business at One Research Drive, Suite 200C, Westborough, MA 01581 (the "Applicant"), will file an application with the Connecticut Siting Council regarding a proposal to construct a telecommunications facility at property located at 44 Gavitt Road in Barkhamsted, Connecticut. The application will be submitted to the Connecticut Siting Council on or about September 11, 2009 and the Applicant will request to be put on a future agenda.

Enclosed please find a copy of the Legal Notice that will run in the Hartford Courant on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 and Thursday, September 10, 2009.

Should you have any further questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact our office or the Connecticut Siting Council, whose address is in the Legal Notice.

Respectfully,



Carrie L. Larson

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Section 16-501(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes and Section 16-501-1(e) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies of an application to be submitted to the Connecticut Siting Council ("Siting Council") on September 11, 2009 or thereafter by SBA Towers II LLC (the "Applicant"). The Applicant will request a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need from the Siting Council for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility in Barkhamsted, Connecticut. The Applicant is proposing to construct a new monopole tower located at 44 Gavitt Road, Barkhamsted, Connecticut. The property is owned by Karen and Richard Langer (the "Property"). The Applicant proposes to construct a new 170' self-supporting monopole tower, antennas, associated equipment and other site improvements integral to a wireless communications facility. The location, height and other features of the proposed facility are subject to review and potential change under provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50g *et. seq.*

The proposed facility would provide personal wireless communication service in the Town of Barkhamsted and particularly along Routes 219, 179 and in adjacent areas, which do not have adequate service. The Application will explain the need, purpose and benefits of the facility and will also describe the environmental impacts of the proposed facility.

A balloon representative of the proposed height will be flown on the day of the Siting Council public hearing on the Application, which will take place in the Town of Barkhamsted. The balloon will be flown from approximately 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Notice of the public hearing date will be provided by the Siting Council.

Interested parties and residents of the Town of Barkhamsted are invited to review the Application during normal business hours at any of the following offices:

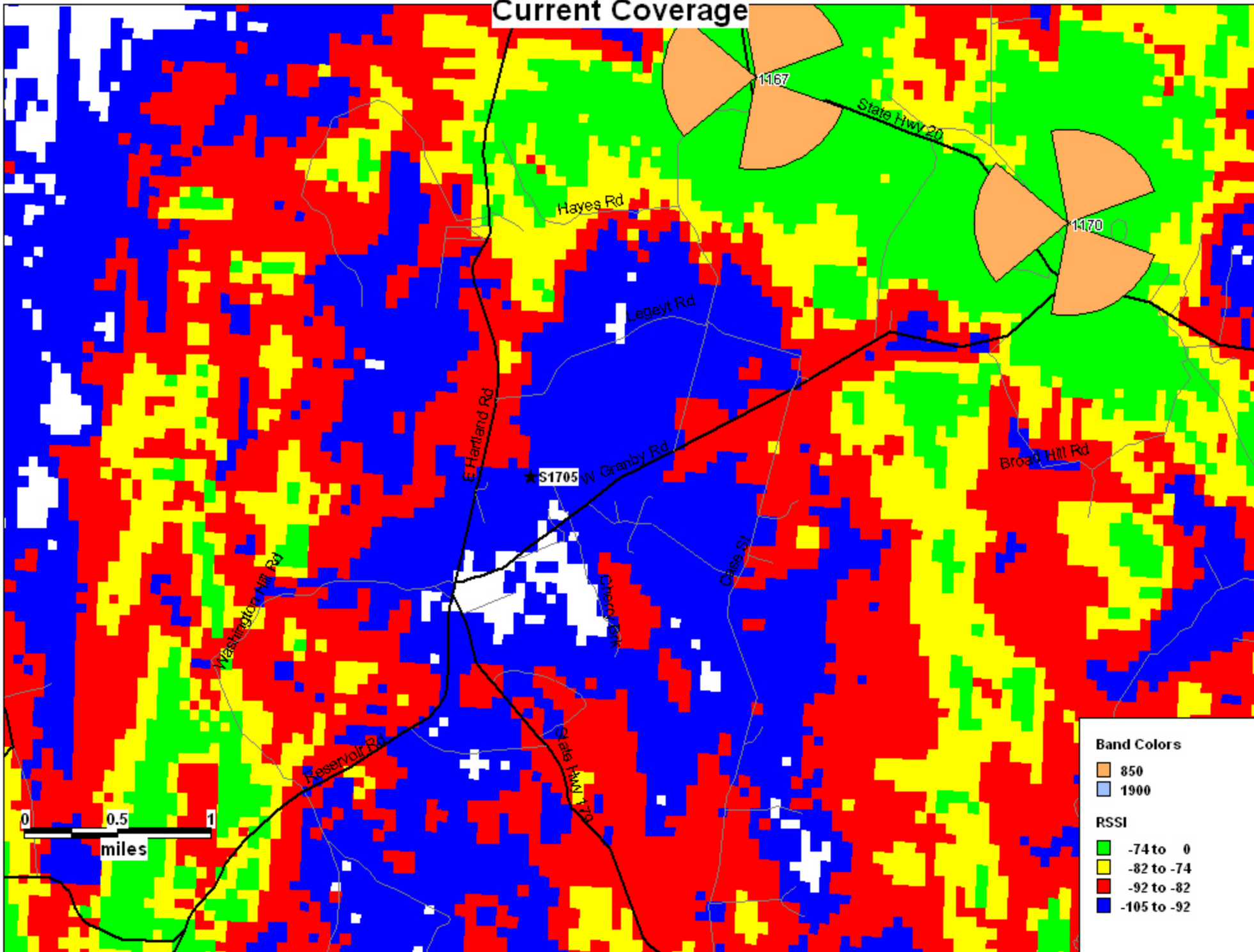
Connecticut Siting Council  
10 Franklin Square  
New Britain, CT 06051

Town of Barkhamsted  
Office of the Town Clerk  
67 Ripley Hill Road  
P.O. Box 558  
Pleasant Valley (Barkhamsted), CT 06063-0558

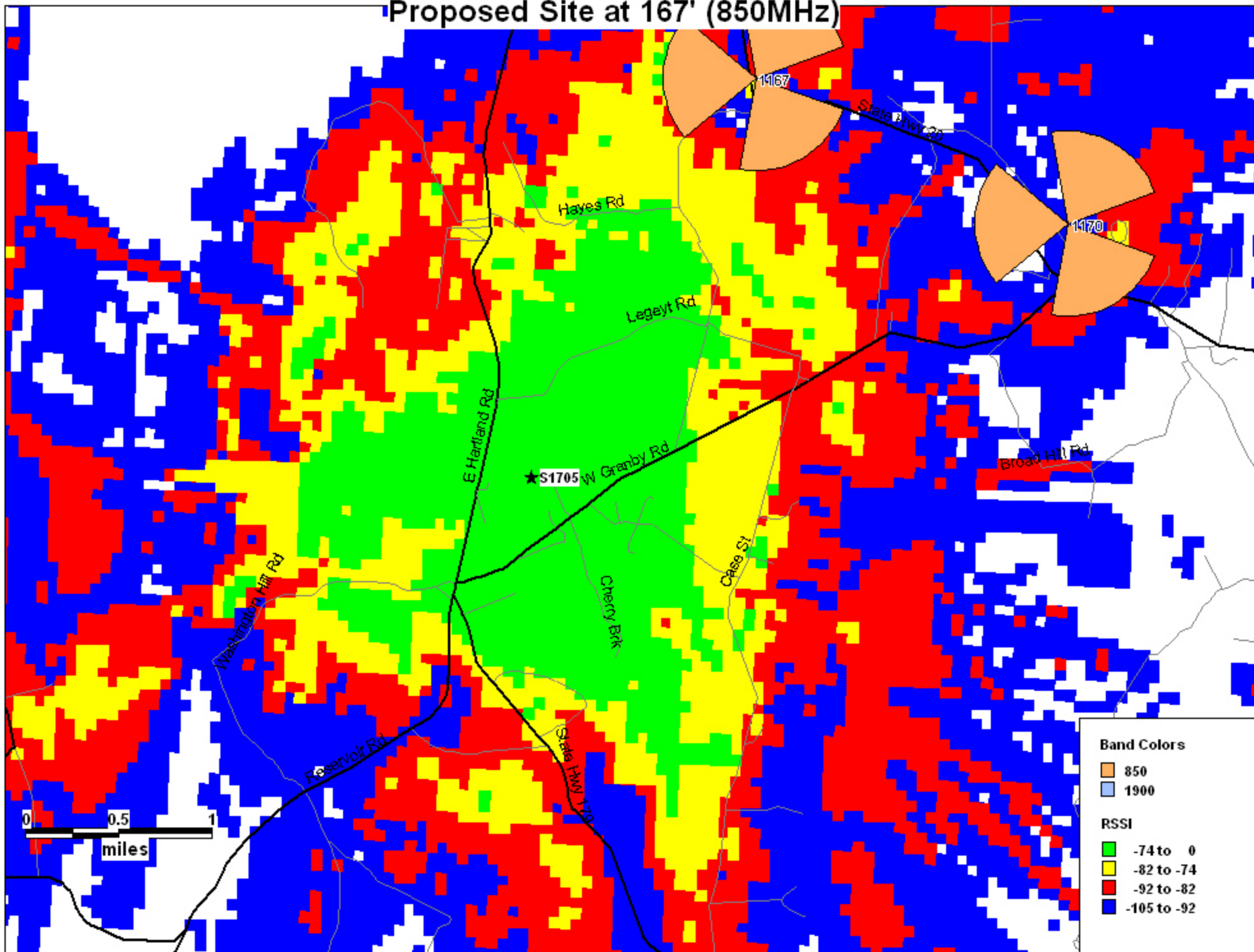
or the offices of the undersigned. All inquiries should be addressed to the Connecticut Siting Council or to the undersigned.

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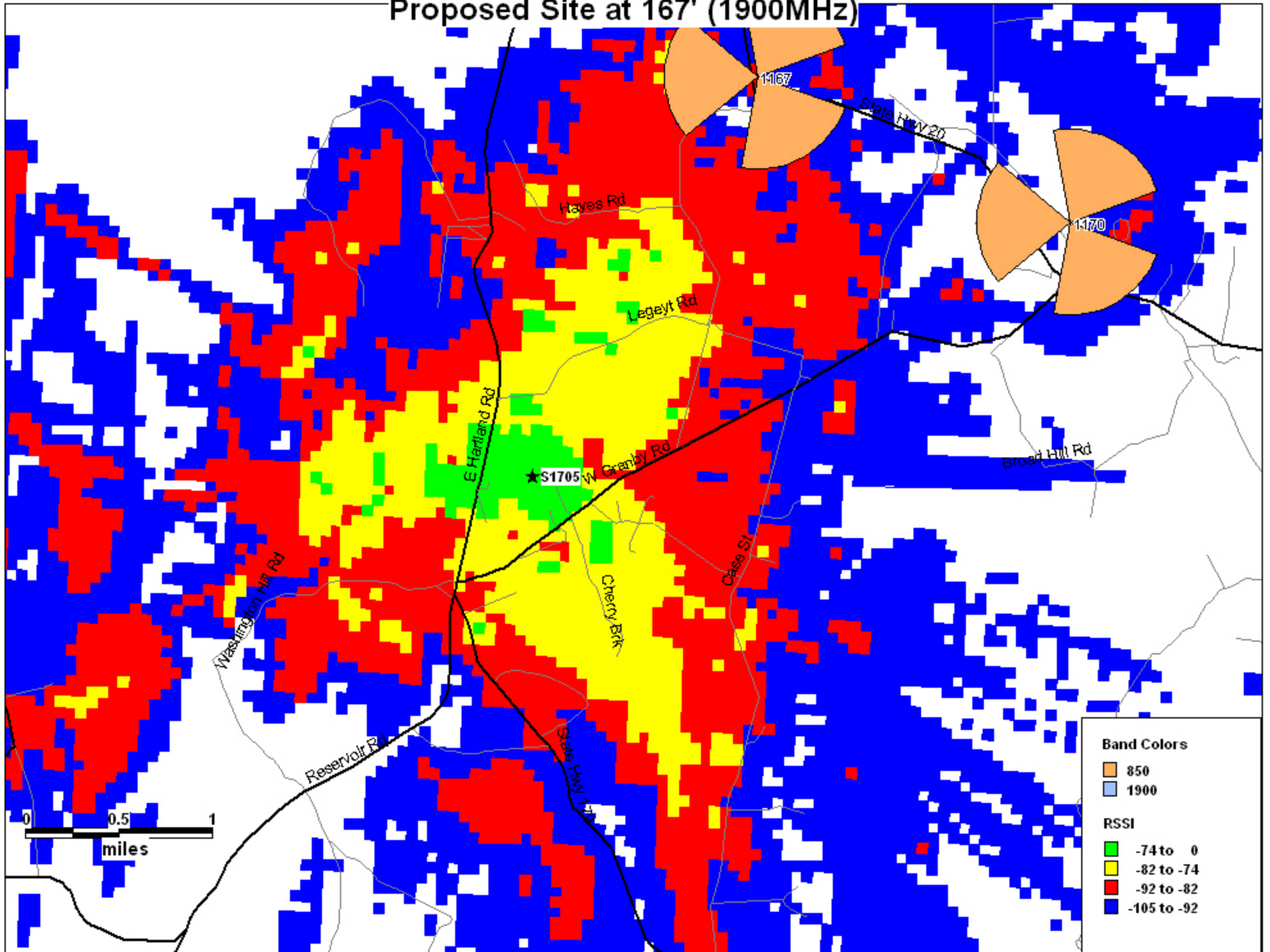
# Current Coverage



# Proposed Site at 167' (850MHz)

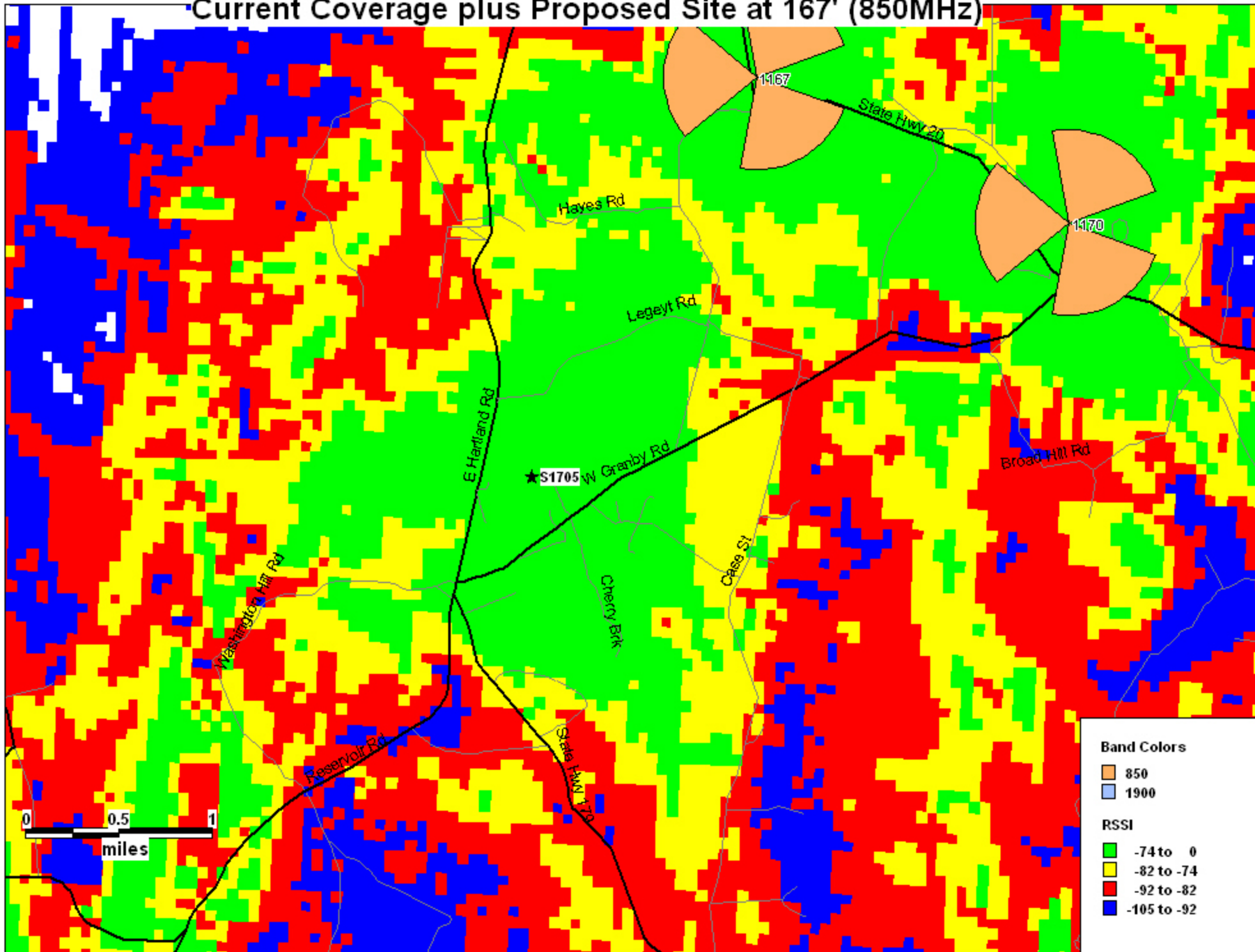


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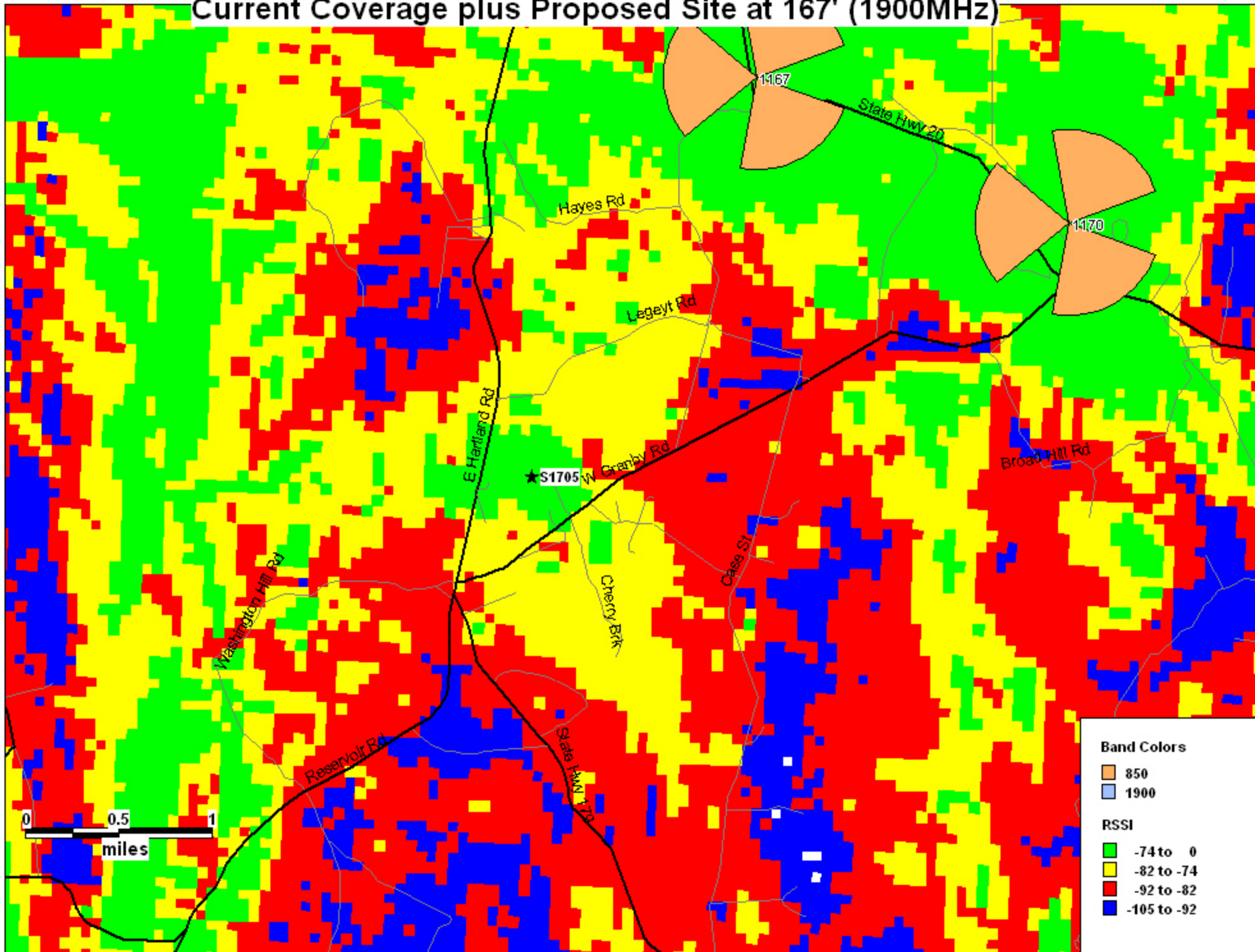




# Current Coverage plus Proposed Site at 167' (850MHz)



# Current Coverage plus Proposed Site at 167' (1900MHz)



## Site Search Summary

Section 16-50j-74(j) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies requires the applicant to submit a statement that describes “the narrowing process by which other possible sites were considered and eliminated.” In accordance with this requirement, the descriptions of the general site search process, the identification of the target search area and the alternative locations considered for development of the proposed Barkhamsted telecommunications facility are provided below.

As a tower developer, SBA bases its decision to seek out a site in an area based on its knowledge and understanding of existing weaknesses in the systems of the wireless carriers operating in the area and/or consultation with individual carriers. A target area is chosen central to the area in which the coverage and/or capacity needs have been identified. The area targeted is the geographical location where the installation of a site would, based on general radio frequency engineering and system design standards, be likely to address the identified problem. SBA’s goal is to locate sites that will provide for orderly integration into the existing wireless systems of multiple carriers. In this case, SBA was aware of a general lack of coverage in this area and conducted a site search.

SBA is sensitive to State and local desires to minimize the construction of new towers, and does not initiate searches in areas with known acceptable structures. In this area of Barkhamsted, there are no existing tall structures or transmission line structures. All of the existing towers in the general area are too far away to provide adequate coverage to the target coverage area.

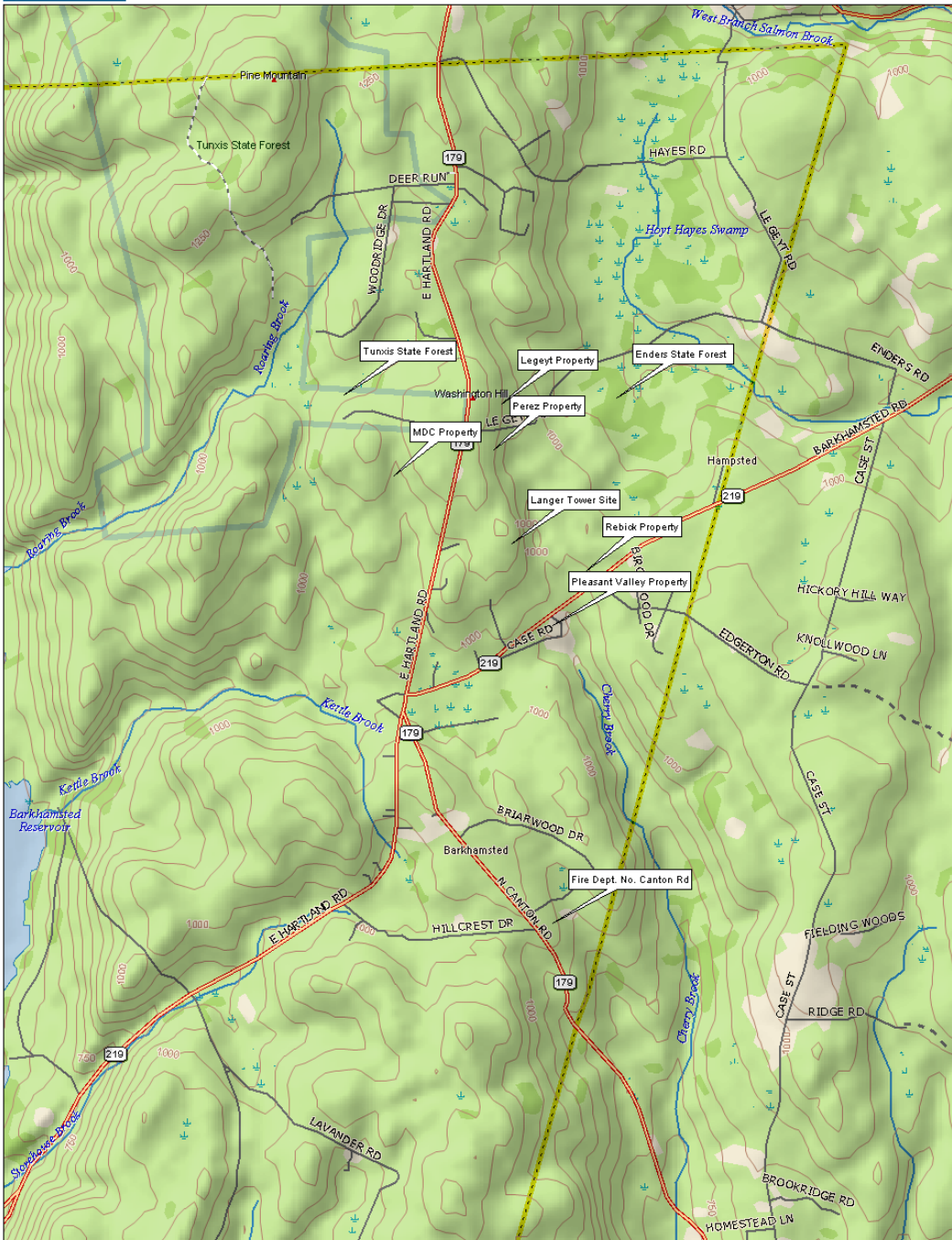
In proceeding to examine an area for a suitable location for a new facility, SBA first studies the area to determine whether industrial or commercial areas or areas which have appropriate environmental and land use characteristics are present. Potential locations are studied by radio frequency engineers to determine whether the locations will meet the technical requirements for a site in the area. The list of potential locations is further refined based on the willingness of property owners to make their property available. Analysis of potential environmental effects and benefits may further narrow the alternatives. In each site search, the weight afforded to relevant factors may vary depending on the nature of the area and the availability of potential sites.

The search for a site in this area of Barkhamsted was limited by the largely residential nature of the search area. The area also contains the Tunxis State Forest, Enders State Forest as well the Barkhamsted Reservoir. There are no large areas of commercial or industrial development within the site search area. Therefore, SBA focused its site search on larger tracts of residential property and those properties that, while they may be zoned residential, are used as non-residential uses.

SBA investigated numerous properties in the area of the Langer property located at 44 Gavitt Road including:

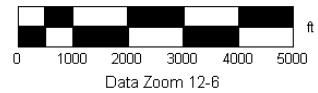
- 1) 21 Legeyt Road (assessor's parcel 17-33-6). SBA investigated the possibility of locating the proposed facility on this property. SBA walked the property with the property owner and determined that, because of severe terrain and wetlands issues, the property was not suitable for the development of a facility.
- 2) 78 Gavitt Road (assessor's parcel 26-33-13). This property owner did not respond to repeated inquiries by SBA.
- 3) 65-67 Gavitt Road (assessor's parcel 27-34-15). This property owner did not respond to repeated inquiries by SBA.
- 4) Legeyt Road (assessor's parcel 17&18-33-8). This property is owned by the State of Connecticut and is state forest land known as the Enders State Forest. Therefore, it is unavailable for development of a telecommunications facility.
- 5) 12 Legeyt Road (assessor's parcel 17-32-19). SBA investigated this property and rejected it as a possible location for the proposed facility due to the topography and the proximity to existing residences.
- 6) Saville Dam Road and East Hartland Road (assessor's parcels 41-25-13 & 26-43-35.3). This property is owned by the Metropolitan District Commission and consists of the Barkhamsted reservoir.
- 7) East Hartland Road (assessor's parcel 17-30-3). This property is owned by State of Connecticut and is state forest land, the Tunxis State Forest. Therefore, it is unavailable for development of a telecommunications facility.
- 8) Barkhamsted East Fire Department (54 North Canton Road, Barkhamsted). SBA investigated this parcel at the request of the Town during the municipal consultation process. This site was rejected by both AT&T and Verizon radio frequency engineers.

The property owned by the Langers (the "Site") is superior to other properties in the area. The Site is an approximately 36 acre parcel and is currently undeveloped. Topographical features and vegetation afford significant screening of the Site. In addition, based on its elevation and location, a tower at the Site would provide adequate coverage to the area and will significantly reduce the visual impact to this area of Barkhamsted.



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## EXISTING TOWER LISTING

There are 9 communications towers located within approximately four miles of the site search area for the proposed site. All are shown on the following map, numbered in the order appearing on this list. None of these existing towers would provide adequate coverage to the target area.

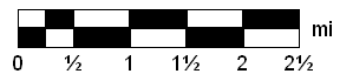
<b>Map ID #</b>	<b>Tower Owner</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Height</b>	<b>Lat</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>Source</b>
1	Town of Hartland	22 Welsh Rd, Hartland	180'	41-59-51	72-53-15.8	CSC Database/Field Review
2	AT&T	350 Hartland Blvd, Hartland	120'	41-58-37	72-53-16	CSC Database/Field Review
3	Continental Cablevision	Mountain Rd, Hartland	110'	41-59-47.8	72-53-24.7	CSC Database/Field Review
4	Town of Hartland	Center Hill Rd, Hartland	180'	41-58-43.32	72-58-55.78	CSC Database/Field Review
5	New Cingular	30 Higley Rd, Granby	120'	41-57-56.8	72-51-19.3	CSC Database/Field Review
6	AT&T	8 Upper Meadow Rd, Granby	150'	41-57-12	72-49-47.4	CSC Database/Field Review
7	SBA	540 Cherry Brook Rd, Canton	150'	41-53-38.62	72-53-37.49	CSC Database/FAA Webpage/Field Review
8	Hartland Town Hall	2 South Road, E. Hartland	40'	41-59-50.9	72-54-24.9	Field Review
9	Town of Barkhamsted FD	54 North Canton Road	25'	41-55-50	72-54-56	Field Review



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