## 220 Spectrum Management Association

## of Southern California

## President's Message

## July 2018

Summer is here! I hope everyone made it to a Field Day contest. I visited two this year.

I would like to thank all of you who attended the meeting in April at the Southern California Edison facility in Pomona. Mike Collis, WA6SVT, provided a very interesting program about various types of filters and duplexers. This was a hands-on presentation, showing real time results from his Network Analyzer, depicting the differences of the several filters that are commercially available as well as characteristics of both commercial and home brewed coupling loops. Thank you David Guder, Al6OU, for acquiring this facility and thank you too for finding this month's facility in Long Beach.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Nathan Haltman, AG6AV, for volunteering and being elected to Coordination Board Position #2. Thank you Nathan!

The Coordination Board has been meeting regularly. A fillable PDF has been created by the Coordination Board. With the approval of the membership at this coming meeting, I will initiate the required changes to allow for filing of RFCs in an electronic format as well as the paper version. To accomplish this, it will require a formal notice period and a majority vote at a General Meeting. The By-Law change will be <u>Article IV – Coordination Boards</u>, Section 4 – Frequency Coordination. <u>Section 3 – Application for Frequency Coordination will need to be modified to allow for electronic filings</u>.

The Coordination Board has been making tremendous strides in catching up with the required paperwork and new Requests for Coordination. The backlog of RFCs and missing Coordination Board reports are nearly completed. We all owe Mike, WA6SVT, and those Coordination Board members that have been helping him, a big thank you.

Are you interested in participating in your Associations Coordination Board? I hope so. As I have said in the past, participation is the key to having a healthy organization and keeping the Association relevant. There will be an opportunity at the next meeting for those of you that would like to help. There will be an election for Coordination Board Position #4. Greg Jigamian, N6GZJ, has decided that he will not be running for reelection and there is a need for someone to step up and fill this position. Thank you Greg for helping and serving our Association.

I encourage all of you to attend the next meeting in Long Beach at the SCE facility and to please consider volunteering for a Coordination Board position. Your Association needs you.

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