

MANAGER'S DESK FOR SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2021

WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

THE PAST TWO DAYS WE HAVE HEARD FROM SEVERAL LISTENERS FROM CENTRAL WISCONSIN ASKING ABOUT OUR RADIO SIGNAL NOT BEING HEARD WHERE THEY LIVE. OUR ENGINEER, ALAN KILGORE, IS ON TOP OF IT AND HAD THIS TO SAY TO A LISTENER VIA EMAIL:

FROM WHAT WE KNOW, There was a tremendous amount of damage Wednesday night in the Wausau/Merrill area including two confirmed tornados and very high winds.

ONE OF THE AREAS THAT LOST POWER IN ALL OF THIS WAS OUR TOWER SITE ATOP IRMA HILL FOR WHJL 88.1 MERRILL. WHEN IT LOSES ELECTRICITY IS ALSO AFFECTS OTHER TRANSLATORS.

The Abbotsford and Medford translators plus all of our Northwoods translators retransmit the signal from our WHJL 88.1 Merrill station. When the electric service went out, all of those stations also went off the air since there was nothing to retransmit.

According to WPS, power restoration for WHJL should be by noon on Saturday. Based on other outages we experienced earlier this week, WPS estimates have been slightly pessimistic. I suspect WHJL might actually be back on by the end of Friday or early Saturday morning.

THOSE 'NORTHWOODS' TRANSLATORS INCLUDE LAND O'LAKES, MINOCQUA/WOODRUFF, EAGLE RIVER/THREE LAKES AND PHELPS.

I am sure you will join us in praying for the needs of those who suffered loss, for safety of those working to clear trees and debris as well as for those working to restore services.

THANKS FOR LETTING US KNOW THE STATION YOU LISTEN TO IS OFF THE AIR.

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME FOR THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.