Takes Air in May

Foothill College FM Radio Wins FCC Okay: 10 Watts

Foothill College has received authorization for a 10 watt educational FM radio station from the Federal Communication Commission. Call letters for the new station are still pending, according to Bob Ballou, station manager.

Equipment for the new station will be ordered in the next few weeks and the station

hopes to go on the air some time in May, Ballou said. Trustees last fall authorized an expenditure of \$4,500 for the educational station. The control room and studio will be located in the basement of the Mountain View campus.

A laboratory course in radio production is currently being offered by the college in the evening. This group will be responsible for the operation of the station once it goes on the air. Under the direction of Dr. George Willey, some 15 students are enrolled in the course, which meets Monday and Wednesday evenings.

Known as Foothill College Radio, the new FM station will be located at 88.5 megacycles on the FM dial, Ballou said. It will have sufficient power to cover the mid-peninsula area.

Ballou pointed out that programming is tentative but that good music and educational programs would dominate. Plans now call for the station to be on the air Monday through Friday from 7-10 p.m.