# TERMINATED DIPOLE ANTENNA (BBTD)

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COVERS 160-10M
GOOD FOR TIGHT
SPACES
CAN VARY WIRE
LENGTH TO FIT YOUR

**AVAILABLE SPACE** 



HANDLES UP TO 500 W SSB PARALLEL RESISTERS CAN INCREASE RATING

2 - 1,000 W

3 - 1,500 W



LOW SWR ACROSS ALL FREQUENCIES GOOD FOR ALE GOOD FOR NVIS ON HIGHER BANDS Terminated
Dipole
Antenna
(BBTD)
Inverted V
Delta Wing
Version

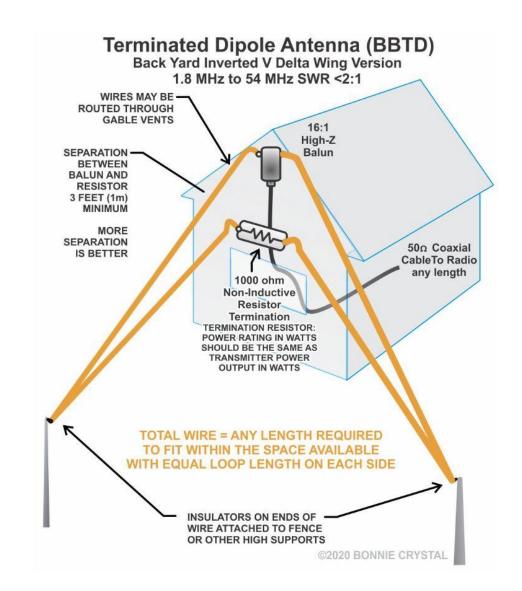
# Links to information and products:

- Concept for Antenna: <a href="http://hflink.com/antenna/">http://hflink.com/antenna/</a>
- 16:1 Choke Balun: <a href="https://palomar-engineers.com/antenna-products/baluns-and-ununs/hf-161-impedance-transformers/Hybrid-16-1-Current-Balun-1-1-Current-Balun-in-one-enclosure-1-8-31-MHz-1-5KW-PEP-BBTD-T2FD-V-Beam-Antenna-p246270553</a>
- 1000 OHM Termination Resister: <a href="https://palomar-engineers.com/rfi-kits/broad-band-terminated-dipoles/Termination-Resistor-1000-Ohm-Non-Inductive-for-T2FD-BBTD-Rhombic-1-61-MHz-600-Watts-PEP-p136245033">https://palomar-engineers.com/rfi-kits/broad-band-terminated-dipoles/Termination-Resistor-1000-Ohm-Non-Inductive-for-T2FD-BBTD-Rhombic-1-61-MHz-600-Watts-PEP-p136245033</a>
- 14 Gauge PVC Wire (500 ft.): <a href="https://palomar-engineers.com/antenna-products/Antenna-Wire-14-Stranded-PVC-Black-wire-500-Ft-Roll-p122854661">https://palomar-engineers.com/antenna-products/Antenna-Wire-14-Stranded-PVC-Black-wire-500-Ft-Roll-p122854661</a>
- Common Mode Choke (before radio): <a href="https://palomar-engineers.com/rfiemi-solutions/common-mode-noise-coax-filter/Coax-Jumper-Choke-RG-8X-RFI-Range-1-8-65-MHz-30-dB-Noise-Reduction-1-5KW-PEP-3-FT-Tail-p408707295">https://palomar-engineers.com/rfiemi-solutions/common-mode-noise-coax-filter/Coax-Jumper-Choke-RG-8X-RFI-Range-1-8-65-MHz-30-dB-Noise-Reduction-1-5KW-PEP-3-FT-Tail-p408707295</a>
- Insulators: <a href="https://palomar-engineers.com/antenna-products/Dog-Bone-Antenna-Insulators-10-pack-p357427092">https://palomar-engineers.com/antenna-products/Dog-Bone-Antenna-Insulators-10-pack-p357427092</a>

#### ANTENNA DIAGRAM

#### CREDIT-BONNIE CRYSTAL

- Simple design
- Forgiving of installation constraints
- Cost is around \$90 more than a typical dipole
- Most important
   installation issue for
   author was twisted
   wire on legs (6 ft.
   between balun and
   resister found to be
   optimal)





# ANTENNA AS INSTALLED

- $\circ$  10 ft fiberglass non-conductive mast
- $\circ$  Apex at around 30 ft
- VHF/UHF Antenna Located above on same mast with no issues (good for minimal footprint)

#### SIDE VIEW OF ANTENNA

- Balun and resister
   provided with
   approximately 6 ft of
   separation as installed
- Provides enough space to prevent wire twisting at ends with no spreaders
- Could be mounted on side of house if needed
- Ends as tested approximately 12 ft. above ground





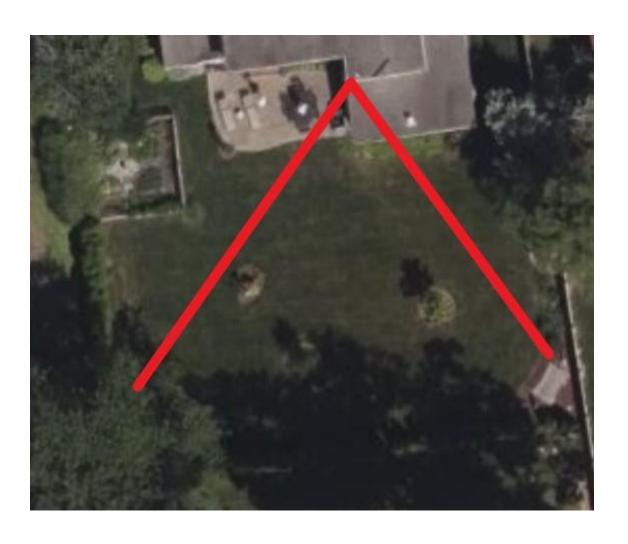
#### Terminated Resister Mount

 U-bolts and plastic board found at Home Depot or Lowes used to make a mount directly on the mast near supports to limit flexing of the pole.



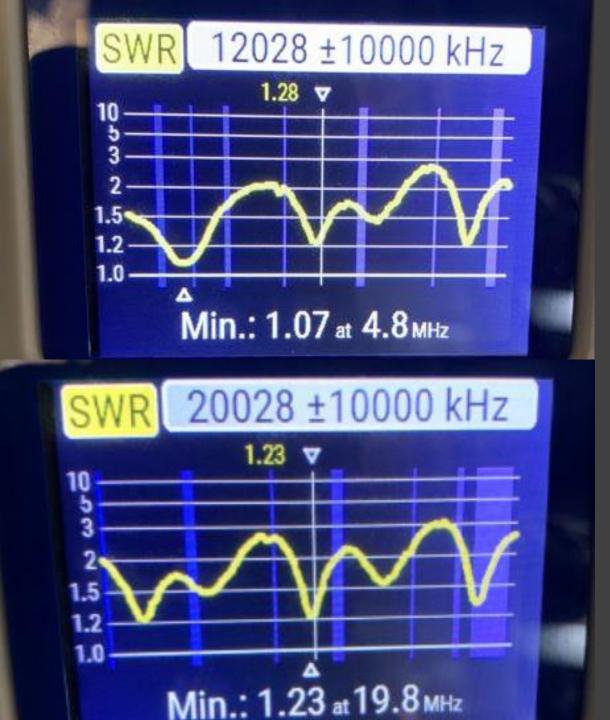
### TESTED WIRE SIZE LENGTH OF 116 FT PER SIDE, UNDER 58 FT AS INSTALLED (DOUBLED BACK TO RESISTOR)

\*USE WHAT FITS YOU SPACE, LEGS MUST BE IDENTICAL



## FITS IN A 60 FT BY 60 FT SPACE

- Tested design has two (2) 58 ft. legs (total of 116 ft. of wire each) allowing for entire setup to fit in under a 60 ft. by 60 ft. space.
- Apex is approximately 30 ft. and does not require a mast if mounting points on side of house are preferred.
- Ends of legs can be as low as 10 ft. above ground allowing fence post and a fence top rail to be used for a mounting point
- When space for only one antenna is available, this will allow for 160-10 M operation
- Good NVIS properties on higher bands
- Low noise properties on receive!



## SWR across entire spectrum 160-10 m

- Most amateur radio bands fall under an SWR of 2 or less
- SWR of 3 or less across entire frequency bandwidth from 160-10 m
- Just about any internal antenna tuner can tune the antenna to a perfect match
- Great for ALE operation
- Quick frequency changes with acceptable SWR
- Low coax losses on longer runs based on low SWR

