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Posted by sonicart productions on Sun, 10 Dec 2006 02:27:21 GMT

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Posted by JeffH on Sun, 10 Dec 2006 09:12:08 GMT

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 Posted by Rod Lincoln on Sun, 10 Dec 2006 22:12:33 GMT
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I have a friend who doesn't post here, but uses Paris, who has a 6 slot intell board of some kind, and runs 6 EDS submixes, sharing with the AGP and everything. No expansion. I would not try this though.

Rod

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