

QUARTERLY ISSUES – April through June 2021

KAPA Hawaiian FM (KAPA-FM / KAGB-FM)

- One-minute to two-minute newscasts featuring local, statewide, and/or national stories airing at 6:20 a.m., 6:50 a.m., 7:20 a.m., 7:50 a.m., 8:20 a.m., 10:50 a.m., 11:50 a.m., 3:50 p.m., and 4:50 p.m.
- Run informational messages from the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency covering local weather hazards, including high wind warnings, flash flood watches, road closures, and high surf.
- Throughout the entirety of this quarter, the station has run a coronavirus update from CIVIL Defense daily, which plays multiple times per day.
- PSAs are run when relevant to inform the local community about issues like ocean safety, volunteer opportunities, how to avoid scams, and public gatherings and resources.

The BEAT (KPVS-FM / KLUA-FM)

- A one-minute to two-minute newscast featuring local, statewide, and/or national stories, airs weekdays at 6:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.
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KBIG FM (KKBG-FM / KLEO-FM)

- One-minute to two-minute newscasts featuring local, statewide, and/or national stories, airing every weekday at 5:50 a.m., 6:50 a.m., 7:50 a.m., 8:50 a.m., 4:50 p.m., and 5:50 p.m.
- One-minute to two-minute newscasts also air on Saturdays at 6:50 a.m., 7:50 a.m., and 8:50 a.m.
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Civil Defense Messages

Pacific Media Group's stations aired messages from Hawaii County Civil Defense on the following:

- April 3 – Local earthquake, no tsunami threat
- April 11 – Winter weather advisory for Big Island summits
- April 12 – Flood advisory for Kau, Puna areas
- April 28 – Flood advisory for Big Island
- April 30 – Brush fire reported in Kau
- April 30 – Distant earthquake, no tsunami threat
- May 5 – Flash flood watch advisory issued for Kona, Kohala districts
- May 6 – Big Island under flash flood watch
- May 6 – Winter weather advisory for Big Island summits
- May 21 – Distant earthquake, no tsunami threat
- May 23 – Local earthquake, no tsunami threat
- June 3 – Local earthquake, no tsunami threat
- June 5 – Big Island brush fire
- June 17 – Local earthquake, no tsunami threat
- June 21 – Downed power line causes road closure

COVID-19

Pacific Media Group's stations aired daily COVID-19 messages from Hawaii County Civil Defense for the entirety of the quarter, often updating them once daily with a new message around noon, when Civil Defense provided said message.

The announcements, presented by members of the Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency, mention the number of confirmed cases in the county, the number of active cases, information on testing sites, and locations of food drops across the island.

In some instances, based on developments, multiple messages were produced for broadcast, as noted above.

Additionally, News Director Max Dible provided local breaking news updates on COVID-19 when applicable throughout the day. Also, on-air talent used airtime to share daily updates affecting local and state living as part of their regularly scheduled programming.

Samples of Aired News Stories of Local Interest

- April 1: New unemployment benefits not likely to last into mid-April, according to state DLIR
- CDC announced new guidelines for travelers vaccinated against COVID-19
- Back-to-back earthquakes in same spot under Mauna Loa Volcano
- Oregon woman reported missing on Big Island
- IRS extends tax deadlines
- Vaccine passport pilot programs in development
- County in process of reopening open air playgrounds and sports fields
- Waikoloa man wanted by police

- April 8: Testimony given in manslaughter case of Kona visitor
- Local grocery store chain to host mass vaccination clinics
- County program established to help those struggling with rent, utilities
- Transfer station restrictions on trash disposal in effect islandwide
- New scams targeting Hawaiian Electric customers
- CDC, FDA recommend pausing use of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine
- April 15: Road to close for police investigation
- Visitor accused of manslaughter out on bail
- Availability remains for mass vaccination event in Kau
- Food drive set for South Kona
- Low cost public health plans open to many in Hawaii
- Tourists' vehicle struck by possible bullet on drive to Hanalei
- Woman suffers injuries after shark attack at Kua Bay
- Vaccine eligibility extended to all 16 and older across Hawaii
- April 21: Visitor accused of manslaughter allowed to temporarily return to mainland
- Drive-in movie night opens in Kona
- Hilo, Kona DMV offices again open to walk-ins
- Military convoys scheduled from Kawaihae to PTA
- Johnson & Johnson vaccines to resume in Hawaii
- HPD arrests murder suspect in Puna
- April 27: Fishing vessel sinks at Honokohau Harbor
- HPD cites 21 for DUI
- Big Island hospitals to end COVID vaccination programs, hand off to other providers
- Officials halt visitation at Hilo veterans home over COVID-19 concerns
- May 1: Olson trust purchases Pahala Shopping Center
- HPD asks for public help locating missing Kona man
- DOE announces 2021 graduation ceremonies
- Hawaiian Electric to end moratorium on disconnections for non-payment
- DOE expands summer programming for students
- Walk-in vaccinations open at Walmart, Sam's Club locations statewide
- Former MPD officer pleads guilty to fraud
- Pahala swimming pool closed
- Ocean View man missing since Thursday
- Pfizer vaccine green lit for kids age 12 and older
- May 11: Colt Brennan, former Hawaii football standout, dies at 37
- Blood Bank of Hawaii returns to Hilo
- House, two vehicles destroyed in residential fire
- Dozens gather to protest state coronavirus restrictions
- Hilo man fined \$600K for poisoning prawn stream
- IRONMAN Foundation to host grocery giveaway
- UH to require COVID vaccinations to return to campus
- May 18: Untreated wastewater enters stream, ocean
- Upcoming hurricane season expected to be less active than usual

- Hawaii hotels see meaningful bounce back in visitor numbers
- Unemployment benefits now contingent on proof of weekly work searches
- New Minit Stop to open on Big Island
- Clean up scheduled for Honokohau Harbor open to public
- FEMA urges Hawaii prepare for hurricane season
- May 24: Kayaker rescued from rough waters off Waipio Valley
- Governor repeals outdoor mask mandate
- Man found shot, killed at “End of the World” in Keauhou
- Hawaii tourism industry rebounding faster than expected
- Man shot at “End of the World” identified
- Big Island beach rated best in the United States
- Statewide Siren test set for next month
- Search for missing Nebraska man continues on Kauai
- June 1: Big Island mayor rolls back gathering restrictions
- PUA claimants soon subject to work search requirements
- Statewide summer food program launches this month
- Hawaii offers vaccination incentives
- Hawaii to abolish all inter-island travel restrictions
- HELCO to energize long-dormant Hilo streetlights
- Inmate disruption reported at HCCC
- June 8: Alabama man dies after apparent drowning off Big Island
- Kona man sought in connection to burglary
- Big Island approaches 3,000 coronavirus cases since pandemic began
- New hunting season opens July 1
- Hilo man fires semi-automatic weapon at police
- Two dead after shootout with police in Hilo
- State detects Delta variant in Hawaii
- June 15: North Hilo man reported missing
- Big Island man charged with murder, arson in “End of the World” shooting
- Jason Momoa to receive star on Hollywood Walk of Fame
- Hulihee Palace damaged following break-in
- HPD officer stabbed during officer-involved shooting identified
- Big Island road closed due to downed power lines
- June 21: County to close Waipio Valley for July 4th weekend
- Dozens of job opportunities available at Big Island resort
- Man rescued after car crashed into Hilo Bay
- Trans-Pacific travel restrictions, gathering restrictions to be lifted statewide in July
- Fireworks shows coming back to Hilo, Kona
- Man accused in “End of the World” shooting indicted
- \$5 million in rental assistance available to Native Hawaiians
- Police seek help finding missing Big Island man
- Brown water advisory issued for Holualoa Bay
- June 30: Brush fires scorch Ohia forest in Puna