



Public Inspection File: Issues / Programs List

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The following represents some of the key issues facing the broadcast area of KIFI during the current filing period. This listing is by no means complete, nor is the order in which these issues appear intend to imply any degree of priority or significance of the issues.

A) EDUCATION: Issues relating to public school and university education in our community.				
B) HEALTH / ENVIRONMENT: Issues related to our environment and health of our community.				
C) GOVERNMENT/POLITICS: Issues facing local government including taxation and political moves in an election year.				
D) ECONOMY: Tracking trends affecting our community's business base as well as the rise and fall of industry in the community.				
E) LAW ENFORCEMENT: Tracking trends in neighborhood crime and the legal progress of criminal cases.				
Issue	Program	Date	Duration	Description
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9 PM	10/2/2023	:25	A brawl broke out at Kate Curley Park in Idaho Falls involving about a dozen people. Three people were arrested. Three more were sent to a hospital. It was reported that the people involved had ongoing issues with each other and they arranged to meet at the park to settle their differences. A fistfight began and someone took out a tire iron or baseball bat. Two males were sent to the hospital with head injuries and one man was stabbed in the back with a broken ice scraper.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/2/2023	:24	The Idaho Dept. of Ag continues to fight quagga mussels in a section of the Snake River near Twin Falls. The Dept. of Ag is preparing to treat the water with a copper chemical that is supposed to kill the mussels. The affected area of the river will remain closed until further notice.
Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/3/2023	:34	Idaho State University received a financial award from the Health Resources and Services Administration to improve rural healthcare. 8 million dollars was awarded to 18 primary care residency training programs throughout the country and ISU was one of them. The money will be used to train primary care doctors on specialized care.
Economy	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/5/2023	:27	Home affordability is now at its lowest level in decades because mortgage rates are on the rise again. Interwest Mortgage in Idaho Falls said good credit and at least 3% down, you could get an interest rate of 7.6 to 5% right now which is a little below the national average.
Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/6/2023	1:02	School districts all across Idaho are finding out how their students did on the annual Idaho standards achievement test, ISAT. While the average scores have dropped by 3.3%, one school district in Eastern Idaho had something to celebrate. The Pocatello Chubbuck school district 25 was among the top academic performers in Idaho. 76.8% of students at Edahow Elem. scored proficient or higher on the math ISAT.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/9/2023	:26	The Caribou-Targhee National Forest is reminding hunters and late campers to 'Leave No Trace' after seeing an increase in unattended campfires. 'Leave No Trace' means to leave the campsite the same or better than you found it. It means fully extinguishing the campfire, drowning it in water, stirring, and repeating until cold.
Government/Politics	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/10/2023	:29	The state of Utah is suing the social media app, Tik Tok. The lawsuit alleges that Tik Tok is encouraging addictive social media habits in children. Research has shown that children who spend more than 3 hours a day on social media double their risk of depression and anxiety. The Utah Attorney General says the prolonged use of Tik Tok interferes with a child's mental health and wellbeing.

Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/12/2023	:33	A 68 million dollar bond is on the ballot for a new high school in the Shelley district. Community members, school administrators, and patrons on the district building committee have met for the last 3 years to determine the district's needs. They decided expanding the current high school was not a feasible option.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/13/2023	:32	A man on Idaho's death row now has an execution date. A death warrant was issued for Thomas Eugene Creech. He has been on death row for 40 years. The Idaho Department of Corrections scheduled the execution by lethal injection for November 8th.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/18/2023	:25	Eastern Idaho Public Health is holding its last free drive thru clinic of the month to get a flu and or Covid-19 vaccination. The flu and Covid vaccines are recommended for individuals 6 months and older. The RSV vaccination will not be included in the drive through clinic.
Economy	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/23/2023	:18	Idaho gas prices are dropping, but the high cost of crude oil and steady fuel demand are slowing their decline. According to AAA Idaho, the average price for a gallon of regular in Idaho is \$3.94.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/23/2023	:26	It is "Lead Awareness Week" for the city of Pocatello. There are several reasons the city wants to raise awareness about lead. The majority of Pocatello homes were built before 1978 when lead based paints were banned for home use.
Economy	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/26/2023	1:34	People tend to stay indoors when winter settles in but it affects local businesses. Swan Valley thrives off of summer tourists. Once you take the summer away, it can get brutal. The locals in Bonneville County help during these times, but sales still take a tremendous blow, even cutting business in half for some.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/30/2023	:38	Two deputies with the Teton County Idaho Sheriff's Office are on administrative leave after being charged with misdemeanor crimes. Fred Robert Hale is charged with petit theft and alteration or concealment of evidence. Troy Lester Dameron is charged with misdemeanor indecent exposure for allegedly exposing himself to a dispatcher while on duty.
Government/Politics	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	10/30/2023	:42	The Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce held its legislative preview today. Lawmakers from Bonneville County took part in a question and answer session, responding to questions from local businesses, city government, and media. The lawmakers were asked about the upcoming Republican Presidential Caucus in Idaho.
Economy	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/1/2023	2:29	The Fed put a pause on hiking interest rates. What does that mean for the local economy? Tadd Jenkins Chevrolet in Rigby says the auto industry has felt more economic effects from the pandemic and auto workers strikes than from interest rate hikes. As for the housing market in Idaho, experts say demand is high and supply is low.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/2/2023	1:08	Two people are arrested and accused of taking an underage girl across state lines to get an abortion. Kadya and Rachael Swainston are charged with 2nd degree kidnapping.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/2/2023	:31	Perry Parris is charged with two counts of felony battery, kidnapping in the second degree, and aggravated assault. He is also facing a misdemeanor, accused of intentional destruction of a telecommunication line or instrument.
Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/8/2023	:21	School trustees in the Pocatello/Chubbuck district are trying to figure out what is next after its bond failed. It fell short of the 2/3 majority needed to pass. The bond would have renovated Highland High School after a fire damaged the school in April.
Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/8/2023	:24	The Shelley School District is now trying to find other solutions to help address growth after the proposed \$68.7 million bond failed. It needed 2/3 majority plus one to pass. Superintendent Chad Williams does not know whether they will re-ren the same bond in the future.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/13/2023	:28	Controversy surrounds a proposed 180-foot cell phone tower near Henry's Fork and the Ashton Scenic Byway. Daniel Brigman lives within a mile of the proposed tower. He says that certain FCC rules are being ignored such as the planning and proven need for a cell tower weighed against adverse impact. He says that impact includes the environment and property values.

Environment/Health	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/14/2023	:23	Two Island Park subdivisions no longer have to boil their water. This comes after some homes have been doing so for more than 6 months.
Environment/Health	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/15/2023	1:40	Idaho law states children need to meet immunization requirements to attend school. But 12.1% of kindergartners in the state were reported to have gotten exemptions from at least one vaccine. The Eastern Idaho Public Health department says the reason for exemptions are usually philosophical, religious, or medical.
Economy	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/16/2023	2:06	The cost of a Thanksgiving meal is more this year. Grocery stores are working to stock the shelves with all the staples. The main concern for buyers is the cost. According to a report by the Consumer Energy Alliance, prices have increased for the 3rd straight year. Buying local is key, not just to support local businesses but also to limit transportation. The main reason for the rise in food prices is inflation in the energy industry.
Government/Politics	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/19/2023	2:30	The debate on ranked choice voting continues to dominate the political landscape in Idaho. The state outlawed the system earlier this year. Now some leaders are trying to get that law overturned. Simply put, ranked choice voting allows voters to rank candidates in terms of most preferred to least preferred.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	11/28/2023	:48	Bonneville County is celebrating 30 years of "Shop with a Cop" tradition. Every Christmas, officers are paired with kids who would benefit from a positive experience with law enforcement. Officers help each child pick out gifts for their immediate family members.
Law Enforcement	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	12/1/2023	:38	The search continues for a wanted Teton County, Idaho man. He is suspected of murder and taking his infant son after law enforcement found his wife dead at a Victor home. Now they are searching for Jeremy Albert Best. They think he left the area with their 10 month old son, Zeke.
Health/Environment	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	12/4/2023	:44	We are learning about the impact of removing an invasive species from the Snake River. Idaho Fish and Game has finished their assessment after treating a six mile stretch near Twin Falls in October. The state was trying to eliminate harmful Quagga mussels but the treatment also killed nearly seven tons of fish in just two weeks. Biologists discovered a 100 percent mortality rate in sturgeon and near 100 percent mortality in Northern Pike minnow and yellow perch. Largemouth bass and bluegill appear unaffected.
Education	Eyewitness News 3 @ 9PM	12/4/2023	2:04	After 85 applicants, the search to be Idaho State University's next President is down to five finalists. Dr. Shane Hunt, the Dean of the College of Business and Professor of Marketing at ISU, Dr. Cynthia Pemberton, President of Lewis-Clark College in Lewiston, Dr. Robert Wagner, Executive Vice President and COO at Utah State University, Dr. Robbyn Wacker, President of St. Cloud State University in Minnesota, and Dr. Matt Cecil, Executive VP for Academic and Student Affairs at Northern Kentucky University.