

KNOM ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST 2023 1st Quarter
KNOM and KNOM-FM, Nome, Alaska
April 10th, 2023

Since 1971, KNOM continues to produce and air local & regional issue-oriented news and local feature programming. This quarter, newscasts ranged from approx. 6 to 11-minutes at :02 after the hour five times a day Monday-Friday: 7AM, 8AM, 9AM, Noon, & 5PM.

The station routinely covers local city and tribal meetings and issues, such as the Nome Common Council, the Nome School Board and Kawerak's events/programs. Other issues this quarter included Port of Nome deep draft port project updates, search and rescue efforts, coverage of the annual Iditarod sled dog race, the Iron Dog snowmachine race, impacts of sea ice and winter storm season along with other weather and climate change, subsistence resource challenges in villages, and seasonal hunting/fishing regulations.

*Unless noted, all programs simulcast over KNOM and KNOM-FM.

NEWS STORIES:

During this quarter, we covered high school sports in our region, Alaska State Legislature updates that affect Western Alaska, the annual Iditarod sled dog race with live coverage of mushers finishing in Nome, and various criminal reports/activities.

1.) St. Lawrence Island researchers investigate health consequences of pollution:

<https://knom.org/2023/03/01/st-lawrence-island-researchers-investigate-health-consequences-of-pollution/>

2.) State Troopers investigating homicide in Mountain Village, one community out of only a few that actually has a local Tribal Police officer:

<https://knom.org/2023/03/27/troopers-investigating-homicide-in-mountain-village/>

3.) Congress approves new cost share agreement for Nome's Deep Draft Port project, Port Director Joy Baker continues monthly updates -

<https://knom.org/2023/01/18/arctic-deep-draft-port-design-pushed-back-city-of-nome-awarded-90-10-split-from-congress/>

4.) AK State Legislature working on several bills that would directly benefit Western Alaska, including one that would increase the student base

allocation funding: <https://knom.org/2023/02/27/two-bills-in-legislature-could-increase-per-student-funding/>

5.) The 2023 Iditarod sled dog race saw the smallest field in race history, with only 28 mushers finishing under the burlled arch in Nome:

<https://knom.org/2023/03/28/hear-from-2023-iditarod-finishers-under-the-burlled-arch-in-nome/>

Programs:

Separate from our newscasts and coverage, KNOM airs regular local programs that are hosted and created by residents in our listening region. Twice a month on Friday afternoons at 1pm there is a one hour show hosted by a Nome community member about changes and regulations affecting the Bering Sea and waterways in Western Alaska.

Ocean Knowledge - <https://www.knom.org/wp/blog/category/programs-all/ocean-knowledge/>

Every week on Wednesday mornings from 10am to 11am, the public relations employee for the tribal nonprofit consortium Kawerak hosts an hour show live with guests to discuss pertinent information the community needs to know regarding Kawerak's programs and staff.

Suwat - <https://www.knom.org/wp/blog/category/programs-all/suwat/>

"Elder Voices." Feature program sharing oral history and cultural stories. Produced by KNOM. Approx. 15-40 min., weekly on Wednesdays at 11am & 11pm, October – December 31st.

<https://www.knom.org/wp/blog/category/programs-all/elder-voices-shows/>

EMPLOYMENT/THE ECONOMY

"KNOM Job File," 12 to 24 minutes, weekly on Thursdays at 11:30 AM. KNOM-produced program of job listing and job finding hints, featuring Nome Job Service. This program continues to air on KNOM, since 1984.

VARIOUS ISSUES:

"KNOM Inspirational & Educational Spots," 50 to 64 total spot announcements played on a rotating schedule seven days a week, 24 hours a day. Spots average rotations on two-week periods. Produced by KNOM, these spots are just a sampling of 100's of spots airing each quarter. Spot length averages :30-2:00 each.

Examples:

Web/Tech

Mental Health & Wellness

Crisis Helplines

Cultural Wellness

Regional History

Climate Highlights

Basic Health Practices

Alcohol & Drugs

Grief/Healing

Contemplative Life/Spiritual Leaders

Inspirational Thoughts & Places

Elder Wisdom

Veterans Stories

Food Preparation

Youth Education Opportunities

Fire Prevention

Drug Awareness and Prevention

Ocean & Sea Science

Environmental Science