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The following broadcasts all aired during the news segment of Mornings With Mark Calder. Each segment ran six times: at 6:00 AM, 6:30 AM, 7:00 AM, 7:30 AM, 8:00 AM, and 8:30 AM.

Jan 2: Fires: Calls for help from Fire Departments across New Hampshire were up in 2023: 25 seconds

Jan 3: Academic freedom: Claudine Gay's resignation as president of Harvard University is being celebrated as a high-profile victory by conservatives who have objected to her on ideological grounds since shortly after she took the job in July 2023: 25 seconds

Jan 4: National politics: New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu is expected to travel to the Hawkeye State ahead of the caucuses with presidential candidate Nikki Haley: 25 seconds

Jan 5: Plow driver shortage: As Granite Staters prepare for the snow, road crews are getting organized, and for most communities, this will be the first plowable snow of the season, but finding enough plow drivers has been a challenge: 28 seconds

Jan 8: Legislative dysfunction: The top Democrat and Republican in the US Congress on Sunday agreed on a \$1.59tn spending deal, setting up a race for bitterly divided lawmakers to pass the bills that would appropriate the money before the government begins to shut down this month: 26 seconds

Jan 9: Gaza war: The US secretary of state, Antony Blinken, has landed in Israel for potentially difficult meetings with Israeli leaders and officials who have repeatedly proved resistant to pressure from Washington over their conduct of the war against Hamas: 30 seconds

Jan 10: Cancer: Scientists have developed a simple DNA test that can identify 18 early-stage cancers that experts say could represent a medical "gamechanger": 27 seconds

Jan 11: Respiratory illnesses: It may be a challenging few weeks for New Hampshire hospitals as they near full capacity amid a spike in respiratory illnesses, according to the president of the New Hampshire Hospital Association: 29 seconds

Jan 12: Respiratory illness: New Hampshire, like the rest of the country, is experiencing very high levels of respiratory virus activity, and health officials say low vaccination rates are contributing to the problem: 29 seconds

Jan 15: National politics: Donald Trump and his Republican rivals are making last-ditch pitches to win support in Iowa, hours before voters in the state will kick-off the 2024 race for the White House: 30 seconds

Jan 16: State politics: Democratic Party candidates met with voters across New Hampshire Monday, since they did not have an in-person caucus in Iowa: 19 seconds

Jan 17: National politics: Former President Donald Trump was back in New Hampshire with a rally scheduled Tuesday evening in Atkinson: 32 seconds

Jan 18: Transparency in public office: Sunapee Town Manager Shannon Martinez said she believes residents should have access to public documents and transparency but she told legislators yesterday the town processed more than 70 right-to-know requests last year, some taking more than 30 hours to process: 30 seconds

Jan 19: Gun violence: Chaos and a "lack of urgency" plagued the police response to the deadly 2022 mass shooting in Uvalde, Texas, the US justice department has found: 27 seconds

Jan 22: Aviation safety: Checks are to be carried out on a second Boeing aircraft model following the blowout of an unused door on one of its planes earlier this month: 27 seconds

Jan 23: Gun violence: A US appeals court on Monday revived a \$10bn lawsuit by Mexico seeking to hold American gun manufacturers responsible for facilitating the trafficking of weapons to drug cartels across the US-Mexico border: 25 seconds

Jan 24: State politics: In addition to New Hampshire's Presidential primary yesterday, special elections were held for two seats in the New Hampshire House, and both were won by Republicans: 22 seconds

Jan 25: Voter turnout: More people cast votes in Tuesday's Republican presidential primary than in any previous presidential primary of either party in New Hampshire's history: 26 seconds

Jan 26: Drug overdose treatment: A new overdose reversal drug, nalmeferene, sold under the brand name Opvee, is now available across New Hampshire: 23 seconds

Jan 29: Crime: Claremont residents are on edge after police said a teenager was shot while he was trying to stop a man from breaking into cars early Sunday morning: 29 seconds

Jan 30: Arms sales: US weapons sales overseas rose sharply last year, reaching a record total of \$238bn (£187bn), as Russia's invasion of Ukraine stoked demand: 25 seconds

Jan 31: Censorship: New Hampshire's Senate Education Committee heard testimony on a bill Tuesday that would prohibit material deemed "harmful to minors" from being allowed in libraries and require vendors to create a rating system for books: 28 seconds

Feb 1: Taxation: The House of Representatives passed with broad, bipartisan support, a roughly \$79bn tax cut package: 27 seconds

Feb 2: Intelligence leaks: A former CIA officer has been sentenced to 40 years in prison for leaking a trove of classified hacking tools to whistle-blowing platform Wikileaks: 22 seconds

Feb 5: Immigration: US senators have unveiled a long-awaited bipartisan deal that aims to combat illegal immigration at the US-Mexico border: 24 seconds

Feb 6: Mail service: The U.S. Postal Service is considering whether to

move mail processing from Manchester to Boston: 24 seconds

Feb 7: Disinformation: Investigators say they have identified the source of robocalls that used an AI-generated version of President Joe Biden's voice to encourage people not to vote in New Hampshire's Democratic primary: 26 seconds

Feb 8: Housing shortage: The city of Lebanon is moving forward with a plan to convert city-owned land into housing: 27 seconds

Feb 9: Mail service: So many people wanted to weigh in Thursday about potential changes to a U.S. Postal Service facility in Manchester that the meeting had to move to a bigger room: 29 seconds

Feb 12: Crime: A juvenile is facing several charges after they led police on a pursuit in a stolen vehicle on Saturday night: 31 seconds

Feb 13: Hate crimes: Lawmakers in Concord are calling for more data to be made public about hate crimes and hate incidents in New Hampshire: 25 seconds

Feb 14: Border security: New Hampshire Gov. Chris Sununu is asking state lawmakers for the money to send more National Guard troops to the southern border: 28 seconds

Feb 15: Global economy: Japan has been eclipsed by Germany as the world's third-biggest economy and has slipped into recession: 27 seconds

Feb 16: Influenza deaths: The number of people in New Hampshire who have died from the flu this season is on pace with last year, which is slightly above average: 35 seconds

Feb 19: Snowmobile safety: Several recent snowmobile accidents in New Hampshire are raising concerns for some experts who said the sport is growing in popularity: 30 seconds

Feb 20: Cannabis: The House of Representatives has a new bill that would allow commercial sales at 15 state-licensed retail stores: 24 seconds

Feb 21: Foreign interference: A former FBI informant charged with making up a multimillion-dollar bribery scheme involving Joe Biden, his son Hunter and a Ukrainian energy company had contacts with officials affiliated with Russian intelligence: 27 seconds

Feb 22: Reproductive rights: In a first-of-its-kind decision, the Alabama state supreme court ruled that embryos are "extrauterine children": 22 seconds

Feb 23: Geopolitics: As the second anniversary of the full-scale invasion of Ukraine arrives, the Russian Army is regenerating itself at a pace western military leaders and experts had not anticipated: 26 seconds

Feb 26: Maple production: Sugar season is underway in New Hampshire. While some maple producers started tapping trees in mid-February, others said they've noticed a shift in recent years: 28 seconds

Feb 27: Propane safety: Worthington Enterprises is recalling propane tanks sold in New Hampshire and the greater Boston area: 32 seconds

Feb 28: Climate change: The US climate chief, John Kerry, has warned that a populist backlash against net zero around the world is imperilling the fight against climate breakdown: 24 seconds

Feb 29: Presidential immunity: The US supreme court agreed on Wednesday to take up the unprecedented claim that Donald Trump has absolute immunity from prosecution in the criminal case over his efforts to overturn the 2020 election results: 31 seconds

Mar 1: Border security: State lawmakers signed off on Gov. Sununu's request earlier in February to send troops to Texas to help with border security efforts: 23 seconds

Mar 4: Disinformation: Donald Trump supporters have been creating and sharing AI-generated fake images of black voters to encourage African Americans to vote Republican: 18 seconds

Mar 5: Emergency alerting: Some Granite Staters said they never got an alert last week following a fatal shooting in Berlin: 30 seconds

Mar 6: College sports: The Dartmouth men's basketball team voted to unionize Tuesday in an unprecedented step toward forming the first labor union for college athletes and another attack on the NCAA's deteriorating amateur business model: 27 seconds

Mar 7: Online security: New Hampshire's attorney general is joining a call to Meta to improve security on its popular social media platforms: 20 seconds

Mar 8: Crimes against humanity: A UN fact finding mission has found The Iranian regime's human rights violations during its brutal suppression of protests in 2022 amount to crimes against humanity: 24 seconds

Mar 11: Skiing safety: A woman died after falling about 600 feet down Tuckerman Ravine on Mount Washington on Saturday: 30 seconds

Mar 12: Electric vehicles: Chinese technology giant Xiaomi says it will start deliveries of its first electric vehicle (EV) this month: 24 seconds

Mar 13: Foreign influence: the director of national intelligence, Avril Haines, told a House of Representatives intelligence committee hearing yesterday that China could use social media app TikTok to influence the 2024 US elections: 29 seconds

Mar 14: Journalism: The University of New Hampshire is eliminating its journalism major, pointing to declining enrollment and changes in the industry: 24 seconds

Mar 15: Cyber attacks: New Hampshire hospitals are still feeling the impacts of a cyberattack on a company that is used to submit and process insurance claims nearly a month later: 35 seconds

Mar 18: Civil liberties: A leading civil liberties network says the rule of law is declining across the European Union: 28 seconds

Mar 19: Air pollution: Only seven countries are meeting an international air quality standard, with deadly air pollution worsening due to a

rebound in economic activity and the toxic impact of wildfire smoke: 26 seconds

Mar 20: Crop losses: Some New Hampshire farmers who suffered crop losses last year have access to \$8 million in aid, but there is confusion about exactly who might qualify: 30 seconds

Mar 21: Measles: Cases of measles are up globally, and health care providers in New Hampshire are concerned that vaccination rates in the state are below average: 27 seconds

Mar 22: Assisted suicide: The New Hampshire House, by a narrow margin of 179-176, approved what supporters call "medical aid in dying": 27 seconds

Mar 25: Power outages: Power will be fully restored to Unitil customers by Tuesday morning: 27 seconds

Mar 26: Housing crisis: Twelve of New Hampshire's mayors met Monday in Manchester for a mayoral summit to discuss some of the top issues their cities are facing: 33 seconds

Mar 27: Cannabis: New Hampshire lawmakers are taking another stab at legalizing recreational marijuana: 27 seconds

Mar 28: State politics: Rep. Annie Kuster has told WMUR she will not seek reelection in November: 24 seconds

Mar 29: Gun safety: A new gun safety bill that supporters said is designed to close a loophole highlighted in last year's shooting at New Hampshire Hospital is advancing: 26 seconds