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Issues; Programs	Title / Programming Type	Date/Time/ Duration	Narrative
Oklahoma; state legislature	All Systems Go For Colorado Oil And Gas, Despite Crackdown All Systems Go For Colorado Oil And Gas, Despite Crackdown Efforts	10/3/19	The law was billed by both supporters and opponents as a sea change in how the industry is policed, giving local governments and state agencies greater authority to decide where and how drilling can occur. But in filings with the federal Security and Exchange Commission, some of Colorado's largest drillers now express confidence that they can easily navigate the regulations spinning out of Senate Bill 19-181.
Oklahoma; state legislature	Advocates push for Medicaid expansion in Oklahoma	10/22/19	Oklahoma politicians chose not to expand it — a decision the group Oklahomans Decide Healthcare is trying to reverse by collecting signatures to put the option on the 2020 ballot.
Kansas; history/arts/culture	Historic Steam Engine Riding Rails In Kansas Next Week	11/15/19	Union Pacific's Big Boy steam engine No. 4014 is expected to arrive in Coffeyville Saturday afternoon. The newly restored locomotive will make stops in 19 Kansas cities next week as it makes its way to Colorado.
Texas; criminal justice	Courts Struggle To Collect Debt In Texas,	11/23/19	The analysis out today from the Brennan Center for Justice at New York University

	Study Says. That's Costly And Puts Poor Violators In Jail		suggests Texas, a state that leads the country in incarcerations for failure to pay court debt, faces systemic challenges on the road to reform.
Nebraska; government	Nebraska Is 1st State To Share Driver's License Records With Census Bureau	11/23/19	The confirmation makes Nebraska the first state to cooperate with the Trump administration's efforts to produce data about the U.S. citizenship status of every person living in the country.
Kansas; research /higher ed	K-State To Help With Massive Research Data Hub On Everything	12/10/19	<p>If researchers could go to a single hub for vast deposits of information on a range of issues from water quality to court rulings to the medicinal powers of marijuana?</p> <p>Armed with all that existing research, they might begin to draw conclusions that apply across the country.</p> <p>Two professors at Kansas State University have begun construction on that online, open-source data hub.</p>
Texas; government	Report: Texas Ranks Second In Budget Cuts For Environmental Protection	12/10/2019	<p>Industrial buildout has taken hold in Texas — thanks to fracking — and greatly increased the need for pollution monitoring.</p> <p>But Texas lawmakers cut funding to the state agency responsible for doing those things by 35%,</p>
Oklahoma; public schools	New State Report Cards Show Oklahoma Schools' Grades Are	12/04/19	Of about 1,500 schools assigned grades on the annual report card, 493 saw a decrease in their overall letter grades. Only 234 schools saw an increase in performance, while a vast majority had no change.

Colorado; environment	Colorado Talks A Mean Game On Methane. Bad Data, No Best	12/10/19	State regulators at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment that several of the publicly available data files on the presence of methane in Colorado's air were inaccurate
Kansas; Higher ed	Investigation Into Kansas Football Player's Death Blames The Coach, Athletic Director	11/16/2019	The external investigation, conducted by the national law firm Lewis Brisbois, was unequivocal in blaming GCCC for the exertional heatstroke death of the teen from the New Jersey shore. "The lack of oversight set off a series of events that ended with the death of Braeden Bradforth," the report said.