

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Station(s): KAAK-FM, KLFM-FM, KMON-AM, KMON-FM, KVVR-FM

October 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

Section I. Issues

The stations have identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. **Fire Safety.** As the seasons change and weather gets colder, there is an increase in house fires as residents try to stay warm. We had guests on multiple times to discuss fire safety.
- B. **Local Politics and Government.** There have been issues with multiple local elections recently, which recently resulted in the Cascade County Commission removing election supervision duties from the County Clerk and Recorder's office.
- C. **Agriculture.** Things relating to agriculture are always important in our listening area, especially when winter is approaching.
- D. **Homelessness.** Homelessness continues to be an issue in the area, as it is elsewhere.
- E. **Education.** Great Falls may soon be home to the first charter school in the state.

Section II. Responsive Programs

Date Aired	Time aired	Duration (Minutes)	Program Name	Issue Discussed. Description of Program
10/3/23	8:35a	10	GF Fire & Rescue	Fire Safety, Public Safety. Chief Jones was on and discussed kitchen safety, because October is National Kitchen Safety Month and due to a recent increase in kitchen fires.
10/13/23	8:45a	10	Montana State University Extension Office	Agriculture, Nutrition. Rose with MSU Extension was on and discussed cattle issues and nutrition in preparation for winter.
10/16/23	8:15a	10	Election Protection Committee	Local Politics and Government, Agriculture, Land Use. Members of the Election Protection Committee came on to discuss two flood/irrigation district lawsuits in the area and their group's goal to keep local elections free and fair.
10/27/23	8:35a	10	Montana State University Extension Office	Health, Mental Health. Katrin with MSU Extension was on, discussing an upcoming event for individuals dealing with memory loss and their caregivers.
11/3/23	8:10a	10	GF Public Schools	Education. Britt Manwaring from the school district was on, discussing a proposal to open a charter school as a pilot program for the state.
11/7/23	8:35a	10	GF Fire & Rescue	Fire Safety, Public Safety. Fire Marshall Mike McIntosh was on and discussed fireplace safety and the importance of chimney cleaning.
11/13/23	7:40a	10	Cascade County Commissioner	Homelessness, Poverty. Commissioner Don Ryan was on to talk about an upcoming event to address the homeless in Great Falls.

11/20/23	8:15a	10	GF Rescue Mission	Homelessness. Jim McCormick was on to discuss the needs at the mission as the weather gets colder.
12/5/23	8:35a	10	GF Fire & Rescue	Employment, Fire Safety. Chief Jones came on and discussed job openings with GF F&R and the qualifications needed. He also discussed recent grass fires in the area.
12/6/23	8:10a	10	Cascade County Commissioner	Local Politics and Government. County Commissioner Joe Briggs was on to explain the process of canvassing (certifying) the results of the recent local elections. This was in response to issues that resulted in the election results not being certified until weeks after the state's deadline.
12/11/23	8:45a	10	Cascade County Commissioner	Local Politics and Government. County Commissioner Rae Grulkowski and Clerk and Recorder Sandra Merchant were on to discuss a proposal before the commission to remove election duties from the Clerk and Recorder's office.
12/20	8:45a	10	Montana Highway Patrol	Driving/Road Safety. Colonel Steve Lavin with MHP came on to talk about the importance of not driving while impaired, especially during the holidays.