

Description of KHSL TV News Coverage Providing the most Significant Treatment of Community Issues

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All of the above programs are locally produced news programs presenting a mix of news, weather and sports and other related feature stories and segments that affect our North State coverage area.

Following are samples of the stories and segments of significant treatment of North State community issues. These stories where among the top three stories on that day in our rundown. All of these stories were also posted on our website actionnewsnow.com and on our station facebook page.

<u>Coronavirus</u>

July 2nd: 5,6,11 Local cases

July 2nd,5,6

Prison Outbreak – Two state prisons had an outbreak of coronavirus. We went to see the impact not just on prisoners and staff but on the town that depends on them for its economy.

July 2nd: 5,6,11 Reopening Rollback – With much of CA going on the state coronavirus watch list we asked health leaders what it takes to get put on it.

July 3rd: 5,6,11 Fireworks infection risk – Most fireworks displays were cancelled because of covid-19. But Oroville still went on with its celebration, no seats or gathering, people had to stay in their cars

July 3rd: 5,6,11 Local cases

July 3rd: 5,6,

As coronavirus cases spike across our area we investigate how local cities and counties are managing the homeless infection risk

July 6th, 5,6,11

Watch list Woes – Glenn County is the first one in our area to be put on the watch list. We went to see how are local businesses handling being shut down again.

July 7th, 5,6,11 Local cases



July 7th, 5,6,11

Rush on Testing – A spike in cases is causing a rush on testing. Now you need to make an appointment and it could take several days to get in. The testing is free at the state run facility but could cost up to \$100 at private ones.

July 9th: 5,6,11 Local cases

July 9th, 5,6 Testing Availability – Governor Gavin Newsom is calling for more people to get tested but do we have the capability?

July 13th, 5,6,11 Statewide step back – The governor announcing all restaurants, bars, wineries and entertainment places will have to close indoor operations due to a coronavirus case spike.

July 14th, 5,6,11 ICU Availability Worries – The state is concerned many cities don't have enough hospital or ICU beds in case of a surge in cases

July 20th 5,6,11 Local Cases

July 22nd, 5,6,11

Butte Watch list – Butte County landed on the state watch list. County leaders say they'll be working with business to try to improve within the three day limit in order to get removed from the list.

July 23rd, 5,11 Worship House Shutdown – places of worship are closed because of the coronavirus but that's not keeping people from keeping their faith. Services are going outdoors and online.

July 27th, 5,6,11 Local Cases

July 27th, 5,6 Outside Workout Local gyms are moving equipment outside in order to survive the coronavirus shutdown.

July 29th, 5,6,11 Modoc County has its first confirmed case of covid 19. It was the last county in CA to have a person test positive.

July 31, 5,6,11 Local Cases

July 31, 5,11

Enforcement Repercussions – The Chico Mall is the first business to be cited for being open against state watch list guidelines. First offense is a warning.



August 4 – 5,6,11 Coronavirus deaths in Butte and Glenn Counties

August $4^{th} - 5,6$ Elementary School Waiver – CA released guidelines on how schools can apply for waivers to have in person classes

August 6th 5,6,11 Local Coronavirus cases

August 6th, 5,6 Campus Return Cancellation – Local schools are changing gears and going to distance learning instead of in person classes less than a week before school starts

August 6th 5, 11

The state says a glitch in its coronavirus case reporting system will keep any more counties from going on the watch list until it's straightened out.

August 10th, 5,6 Kid Infection Rate – A new study shows an increase in coronavirus cases in kids

August 12th, 5,6

Kids and Masks – With kids going back to school what's the best way to get them to wear a mask and practice social distancing. One is to make them part of the process, have a conversation with them and let them choose their mask.

August 14th 5,6 School Supply Giveaway – A preview of a local man giving away 140 backpacks filled with school supplies to help lower income kids prepare for distance learning.

August 17th 5,6,11 Local Coronavirus cases

August 17th 5,6,11 Mail in Voting Safety – With CA going to mail in only because of the coronavirus people are concerned with the safety and integrity of their ballots.

August $17^{\text{th}} - 5,6,11$ Two more Corning High students test positive for covid-19. The school will continue with in person classes because none of the infected students were on campus.

August 21 – 5,6,11 Enterprise School had someone test positive for Coronavirus. It immediately cleaned and sanitized the buildings and sent a letter to parents telling them the person hadn't been on campus for several days.

August $26^{th} - 4,5,6,11$ Off the Watch List – Glenn County was our first county to go on the state coronavirus watch list. Now it is the first county to come off of it.



August 27th 5,6,11 Local Coronavirus cases

August 27th – 5,6 Chico State Losses – Only 750 students are living on campus. The rest are doing virtual learning. The city of Chico could lose millions of dollars with so few students living locally.

August 31, 5,6,11 Chico State Campus Closure – after an outbreak of covid-19 among students and staff - chico state is giving students one week to get out of their dorms and find somewhere else to live.

Sept. 2nd, 5,6,11 Waiting on a Waiver – 9 Butte Co. Schools filed for a waiver to have in person classes. Now they have to wait for several weeks to find out if they got it.

Sept. 3rd 6,11 Chico Mall Reopening – the state's new color coded tiered system allows malls to reopen with restrictions like 25% capacity and requiring masks.

Sept 7th – 5,6,11 Simpson First Day – Simpson College in Redding began the fall semester on a hy-flex plan. This means students can attend class in person or on line if they prefer.

September 14th 5,6,11 Local Coronavirus cases

Sept 25th 5,611 Butte County Death – the first person under 25 years old has died from the coronavirus in Butte County.

Sept. 25th 5,6,11 Shasta Death – Shasta County recorded its 17th covid death

Sept. 25th 5,6,11 Tehama County recorded it's 5th death.

Sept. 28th 5,6,11 Local case numbers

Sept. 30, 5,6,11 Back to Red – Butte County's coronavirus cases are improving and the county will soon be moving into the red tier. This means restaurants can have inside dining, at 25 % capacity.

Sept 30th 5,6

Healthcare worker protest – Dozens of doctors, nurses and healthcare workers picketed outside St. Elizabeth's hospital. They're demanding more PPE and safer staffing hours.

Crime and Public Safety

July 2nd: 5,6,11



Shingletown Killer Death – The manhunt for the suspect in a triple murder in Shingletown ended when a car crashed into the suspect in SoCal, killing him.

July 7th, 5,6,11 Overnight Drive-by – Police are searching for the triggerman in a drive-by that sent one man to the hospital and left a community on edge.

July 8th, 5,6,11 Chico State Arson Plea – three girls plead no contest to attempted arson for trying to burn a CSU police car.

July 9th, 5,6,11 Police shooting Bodycam – A gunman shot and killed one person inside a Walmart distribution center before police arrived and took him down.

July 9th, 5,6

Public places trash pileup – Homeless people are leaving trash all over Chico's public places. We asked city leaders what they planned to do to keep our city clean, if anything.

July 29th, 5,6

Elder Abuse Arrest – Chico Police arrested a man for beating up an elderly man in the park

August 4th - 5,6,11

Redding police say a man killed his wife before stabbing himself to death

August 6th, 5,6

The state of CA is releasing 17 thousand non-violent inmates back onto the streets because of the coronavirus spreading in the prison system

August 10 5,6,11

Deadly Hit & Run Arrest – A man released early from prison because of covid-19 is the main suspect in a deadly hit and run. He's now back in jail after a car chase.

August 14th, 5,6,11

PG&E Rolling Blackout Warning – the utility is warning it may start rolling blackouts across the state due to extreme high heat.

September 16th – 5,6, 11 Needle Ban Refusal – Chico City Council voted against banning a needle distribution in city limits. This comes just weeks after the NVHRC pulled its distribution out of Chico.

Wildfires

July 6th, 5,6

Powercut Questions – As we head into the heart of wildfire season PG&E plans to pick up its power safety shutoffs again. The utility told us it made some changes so the shutoffs will impact fewer people for shorter periods of time.

July 13th, 2,4,6

Clean Water Progress – Paradise Irrigation District is continuing to provide clean water for people moving back to the ridge after the Camp Fire.



July 13, 5,6,11

Robinson Fire – A vegetation fire erupted near the Robinson Mill Area in Butte County. It threatened homes and burned at least 30 acres.

July 20th, 5,6 11 Thermalito Fire – A 30 acre vegetation fire burned into a neighborhood, destroying one home and damaging several others. Crews had it under control in a few hours.

July 27th, 5,6,11 Caldwell Fire – It's been burning for days, torching some 44 thousand acres and is zero percent contained. This is the biggest fire burning in our area at this time but not the only one, we have the hog fire, Adams fire and Gold fire.

August 12th, 5,6,11 Badger Fire Cause – A car driving on a flat tire literally sparked the Badger Fire. It burned almost 600 acres and forced several evacuations.

August 17th, 5,6,11

Potters Ravine Fire and Forbestown Fire – two fires erupted after a dry lightning storm. This was the beginning of the Butte Comples and led to more than a month of fires including the larges fire in CA history – the August Complex

August 19th, 5,6,11

Elkhorn 3-4 Fire – Another of the Lightning Fires that started small and exploded due to high temperatures and dry fuel. The smoke is blanketing the city of Red Bluff making the air quality unhealthy.

August 19th, 5,6,11

North Complex – This fire is growing in Lassen and Plumas Counties. It eventually explodes into a 300 thousand acre fire three weeks later, burning into Butte County and killing 15 people. Called the Bear Fire.

August 21, 5,6,11 August Complex – The wind shifted and pushing the fire west now but ash and smoke are still falling in Glenn County. Evacuation centers have opened for people forced out of their homes.

August 25 – 5,6,11 CA on Fire – multiple fires are burning across our entire DMA. These fires started weeks ago in a dry lightning storm. More than a hundred structures destroyed in total but no hurt so far.

August $26^{th} - 5.6$ Quincy AQI – Quincy had the worst air quality in the world because of the North Complex wildfire.

September $7^{th} - 5,6,11$ Power Safety Shutoffs – PG&E is shutting off power to thousands of people because of high fire danger. It will last for several days and impact more than 170 thousand customers.

September 8th – 11pm



Bear Fire Evacuations – the Bear Fire exploded to more than 150 thousand acres in less than 24 hours and forced thousands from their homes as it spread into Butte Co.

September 9th 5,611 Bear Fire Evacuation Center – The Red Cross set a center up at the fairgrounds in Gridley for evacuees to go to for rest, information and help.

September 11 - 5,6,11 Berry Creek - The Bear Fire destroyed Berry Creek, leaving hundreds homeless and at least 9 dead at this point. We went back to the town to see what was left.

September $14^{th} - 5,6,11$ Presidential Visit – the president met with Cal Fire officials and the governor for the latest on the Bear Fire.

September $14^{th} - 5,6,11$ Returning Home – We go with Bear Fire victims to their homes as they get a first look at what's left of their lives.

Sept. 16th – 5,6,

Post Office Rerouting – Bear Fire victims are having a hard time getting their mail delivered or finding out where to pick it up.

Sept 21 6,11

Market Refuge – The Lakeside Market in Oroville has set up an unofficial evacuation center. People can get food and clothes and have a place to rest.

Sept. 22, 5,6,11

Resource Centers Open – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) and the Mobile Resource Intake Center (MRIC) opened in Oroville to help Bear Fire survivors get help for local and federal agencies.

Sept. 28th, 5,6,11 Zogg Fire Latest – Three people are now confirmed dead, killed in the Zogg fire. It's currently 15 thousand acres with no containment. Mandatory evacuations are now in Tehama County as the fire keeps burning in that direction.

Sept. 28th, 5,6,

Buck's Lake Firefight – Firefighters are now attacking the North Complex North Zone, one of the most active areas of the fire. The concern is the fire moving into the canyon where the winds are much stronger.

Call for Change

July 9th 5

Racist Flyers – Someone put racist flyers up on businesses around town. Police are now investigating but haven't determined if this qualifies as a hate crime.

July 22nd, 4,5



Ethnic Studies Requirement – California State Universities now require students to take an ethnic studies or social justice course. It's the first change to the general curriculum in 40 years.

<u>Health</u>

July 31, 5,6,11

First West Nile Case – Butte County announced its first West Nile case in a human this year. Vector Control says it has a budget shortfall and is urging people to take precautions.

July 31, 5,6

Blood Drive – Action News Now teamed up with Vitalant for it's bi-annual blood drive. This year is different because of the coronavirus but they still almost met its donation goal.

Sept. 18 – 5,6

Enloe Vs. Anthem Blue Cross – the hospital is at odds again with the insurance company. If no agreement is reached by the end of October they'll cut ties. This is the second time in two years they're going through this.

Sept. 25th 5,6,

Flu Shot Protest – Health Care Workers in Tehama county are protesting a mandate to get a flu shot. Shasta County also mandated it but rescinded it a day later.

Environment

July 8th, 5,6

Rainfall Outlook – 2020 has had less than half the rainfall of 2019. This means our fire season could begin earlier, burn hotter, and last longer.

July 29th, 5,6

Mysterious Seeds – strange see packets from China are showing up all over the country, including here at home. Butte County Ag department says its already collected 30 packages.

Education

July 16th 5,6,11

Virtual Learning Risk – with schools on distance learning because of the coronavirus – there is a psychological risk to students' mental health.

Election

Sept 23, 6,11

What you need to know – Every person in CA will get a mail in ballot. But counties will still have a place to drop off your ballot to make sure it gets counted.



Addendum:

The following is a list of non-profit organizations that have been interviewed live on our Noon Newscast on KNVN about their mission or upcoming events:

Weekly Camp Fire Recovery and Rebuilding Updates from Town of Paradise, Valene L. Smith Museum of Anthropology Summer Camps for youth, Boys and Girls Clubs of the North Valley 25th Anniversary, Author Steve Ferchaud Children's Book to benefit the Paradise Chocolate Festival, Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program promoting Medicare Workshops, Lyme Center of Butte County promoting guest lecturer, an expert in Lyme Disease Diagnosis and Treatment, Newly formed Choir for people with Parkinson's Disease, Paradise Chocolate Festival (Virtual), Community Ciopinno Feed (virtual auction) to benefit Chico Area non-profits, and scaled back activities for the Oroville Salmon Festival.