Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 3rd Quarter of 2021 (October 1st to December 31st)

Blue Ridge Public Radio serves a 17-county area of Western North Carolina and North Georgia with its 24-hour broadcast day schedule. Local newscasts and stories are produced by the BPR news team Monday through Friday during both Morning Edition and All Things Considered. A rotation of the three podcasts produced at the station – The Waters & Harvey Show, Going Deep: Sports in the 21st Century, and The Porch – air Friday mornings at 9 and Saturday evenings at 8, in addition to select national special programming from our various distributors.

ISSUE SHOW/DATE/TIME/DURATION

He<u>alth</u>

Mission Health investigated by North Carolina Department of Labor – All Things Considered 10/12 1 minute

Here's where WNC abortion access stands as the Supreme Court debates abortion rights – All Things Considered 12/1 1 minute

Have staff shortages at Mission meant less care for patients? – Morning Edition 12/17 4 minutes

Race & Identity

The Jon Gruden Experience – Going Deep: Sports in the 21st Century 11/5 57 minutes **Reparations – and the pace and need for them in Asheville – headline annual conference** – All Things Considered 11/5 4 minutes

Storycraft Part 1 – Morning Edition 11/16 6 minutes

Storycraft Part 2 – Morning Edition 11/17 6 minutes

Storycraft Part 3 – Morning Edition 11/18 6 minutes

Storycraft Part 4 – Morning Edition 11/19 6 minutes

Local Government & Politics

Early voting starts next week for November local elections in Western North Carolina – All Things Considered 10/6 1 minute

WNC Politics Roundup: Don't overreact to the maps you see now – Morning Edition 10/15 4 minutes Report: Cawthorn one of GOP members of Congress 1/1 planners met with – All Things Considered 10/25 1 minute

Last dry county in North Carolina will soon sell alcohol – All Things Considered 11/3 1 minute

Section 8 program in the South reinforcing segregation – The Porch 11/19 19 minutes

Infrastructure bill could help ease WNC's most nagging problem – internet access All Things Considered 12/9 1 minute

Arts & Culture

As live music heats up, local venues are chilled by COVID-related challenges – All Things Considered 10/6 2 minutes

Storyteller Gina Cornejo strives to draw sweat from herself and her audience – Morning Edition 10/19 4 minutes

As Jangling Sparrows, Paul Edelman makes music to his own all-American beat – Morning Edition 12/3 4 minutes

Public Safety

Haywood County conversations reveal ripple effects from overdose murder conviction – All Things Considered 10/27 4 minutes

'It got worse': UNC Asheville faculty release annual political terror report – All Things Considered 11/1 4 minutes

Business and Economy

Painters Alicia Armstrong and Jeremy Russell bet on themselves in downtown's crowded gallery scene – All Things Considered 10/28 4 minutes

Asheville-area artists seek a collective voice on local issues through new coalition — All Things Considered 11/29 4 minutes

The Big Crafty returned as a boost to bank accounts and community – Morning Edition 12/6 2 minutes

Environment

Carbon emissions didn't grow at some rates as population in Asheville – Morning Edition 10/12 1 minute

A year later, Max Patch is healing – Morning Edition 12/21 4 minutes

Historic Preservation

Eastern Band of Cherokee hosting event to honor Long Man cultural tradition – All Things Considered 10/19 1 minute

Lost or forgotten no more: Incarcerated Black laborers that built WNC railroad memorialized – Morning Edition 10/22 4 minutes

Nikwasi Mound story will be featured in traveling Smithsonian Museum exhibit – All Things Considered 12/10 2 minutes

What WNC can learn from Virgil Bryson and the Freedman's Bureau today – The Porch 12/17 15 minutes