



WTRC Issues and Programs List  
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Regularly Scheduled  
News and Public Affairs Programming  
Broadcast by WTRC

Program Name	Schedule and Description
National Newscasts	Two minute news segments broadcast at the top of each hour around the clock; Fox News Radio covers news stories affecting the nation and world.
Local Newscasts	Two minute news segments broadcast at two minutes past each hour at 6:02 a.m., 7:02 a.m., 8:02 a.m., 9:02 a.m. 4:02 p.m. and 5:02 p.m. Mon. – Fri.; Covers news stories affecting the local cities, counties, and states.
Weather Forecasts	30 second segments broadcast two times each hour between 6 am and 9 am Mon. – Fri., one time each hour between 9am – 5 am Mon. – Fri. and one time each hour around the clock on Sat. – Sun.; Forecasts of the weather and updates on weather related watches and warnings.
Viewpoints Radio	30 minute program broadcast each Saturday at 6:30 am; Interviews with guests that have expertise and real-world experience regarding current issues.
Radio Health Journal	30 minute program broadcast each Saturday at 6:00 am; Interviews with guests that have expertise and real-world experience in health and medicine.
Agri-Talk	60 minute program broadcast each Monday – Friday at 10 a.m.; The program is for farmers/agriculture industry experts and rural America, providing information that connects producers with consumers.
Market Rally	60 minute program broadcast each Monday – Friday at 3 p.m.; Program focuses on agricultural commodity markets. Market Rally welcomes listeners to become part of the discovery process and listen in on some of the top commodity analysts in the country discussing and debating market action.
Scam Of The Week	2 minute program broadcast each Monday at approximately 10:30 a.m. and each Thursday at approximately 2:30 p.m.; Interview with representatives from the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana regarding scams and consumer news designed to help prevent consumers from falling prey to scammers or becoming victims of identity theft.

Enter the schedule and a brief description of the program.

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On The Beat

On The Beat is a show that is centrally focused on what matters in Elkhart and Elkhart County. The goal of On the Beat! is to deliver information and perspective directly from the source, that listeners may otherwise not get. This will include business leaders, political representatives, community leaders, keepers of the area's history, and sometimes just regular people with a story to tell. For one hour each day we take the opportunity to put the spotlight back on the innovative and dynamic community that is the Elkhart region, and hope that you can walk away feeling more connected to your neighbors and friends.

## Issues of Concern to the Communities Served by WTRC

Subject	Description
Coronavirus Pandemic	Coverage of the coronavirus pandemic and how it is affecting lives of residents on a local level.
Economy	Coverage of the economy and employment issues on a local, state or national level as it affects listeners' money, as well as local and statewide economic initiatives.
Extreme Weather	Coverage of extreme weather events that alter the normal course of our listeners lives.
Childhood and Family Well Being	Coverage of quality of life, be it family, education, economy, social, as it relates to children on a national, state or local level.
Health	Coverage of public health issues, other than the coronavirus pandemic, on a state and local level, including, but not limited to, disease outbreaks and recall information.
Public Safety	Coverage of public safety issues faced on a national, state and local level including violent crimes against people, property crimes, ways to combat crime.
Political/Election	Coverage of important politically-related news and the latest primary and general election coverage on a local, state or national level.
Scam/Fraud Prevention	Coverage of scam alerts and news to protect consumers' money and online information/identity.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: October 3, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana discuss a recent increase in text message and email scams that rely on immediacy.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam/Fraud Awareness, Public Safety

Program/Segment Title: News Story- Police warn of new stolen debit card scam

Broadcast Date: October 4, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about scams, this station aired a news story about how the Elkhart Police are warning the public about a scam involving "found" bills and resulting in stolen debit cards. Officers say a suspect approaches the victim in a store and drops a \$10 bill by the victim's feet. They then point out the money to the victim, distracting them to see the victim's pin number as the victim enters it at a self-check-out. We've posted tips on how to protect yourself and what to do if this happens to you at our website.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Extreme Weather

Program/Segment Title: News Story- Indiana to see frost and cold weather

Broadcast Date: October 6, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about sudden changes in the weather, this station aired a news story about how it is about to get colder across Indiana, especially in the mornings. National Weather Service says you can expect to see frost Saturday and Sunday, which means if you have sensitive plants outside, you'll want to cover them up or bring them inside.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Political / Election 2022

Program/Segment Title: News Story- Two Elkhart County school board candidate forums to be sponsored

Broadcast Date: October 10, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about races in the upcoming election, this radio station aired a news story about the League of Women Voters of Elkhart County sponsoring two Elkhart County school board Candidate Forums in October. The first candidate forum is for Goshen and Middlebury School Board candidates. It's Wednesday evening, October 19th, at the Goshen Library Meeting Room. The second forum is for Concord and Elkhart School Board candidates. It's happening on Thursday evening, the 20th, at St. Paul's United Methodist Sanctuary in Elkhart.



## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: October 10, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

Summary: News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and VP Jan Diaz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana discuss reports of voicemail scams across the region.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Extreme Weather, Public Safety

Program/Segment Title: News Story- Elevated field fire danger in Michiana

Broadcast Date: October 11, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary: In an effort to keep the public safe from fire, this radio station aired a news story about an elevated danger for field fires today (Tues.) around Michiana. Every county in the listening area has a higher risk of field fires thanks to warm weather and prevailing dry conditions. The National Weather Service of Northern Indiana says wind gusts this afternoon increase the risk for spreading fires, and minimum relative humidity levels have dropped to between 30 and 40 percent. Residents should avoid outdoor burning today, as any fires that are started have a likelihood to spread rapidly and quickly become uncontrollable.**

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: October 17, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana discuss scammers using fake Facebook accounts to gather personal information from unsuspecting users.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Childhood/Family Well-Being

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Trine University professor arrested for child pornography

Broadcast Date: October 20, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: In an effort to keep the public informed about criminal suspects, the Angola Police Department say that former biology professor, Steven Messer, was arrested Tuesday on 15 counts of child exploitation.

The investigation started after Angola police say they received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. That investigation found that no local children were involved.

Court documents say that Messer uploaded over 20 child pornography onto a Google Drive account from his computer at Trine University on July 21st, 2022. While being interviewed, Messer acknowledged that the photos were pornographic.

Because of the investigation and arrest, Trine University has terminated Messer. Angola Police, Indiana State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, and Homeland Security Investigations arrested Messer without incident and took him to Steuben County jail.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Health

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Nestle Toll House recalls chocolate chip cookie dough

Broadcast Date: October 20, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** This radio station aired a news story about a cookie dough recall. The product under scrutiny is for Nestle Toll House Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough with Fudge Filling. This, after some customers reported finding white plastic pieces in the dough. According to the F-D-A, the products being recalled were produced between June and September of this year. If you have the dough in question, bring it back to the store for a refund or exchange.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Elkhart County unemployment rate drops

Broadcast Date: October 25, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** This radio station aired news stories about the local jobless rate. The unemployment rate has dropped in Elkhart County to 2 percent, down a half-point from August. That's well below the statewide average of 2-point-8 percent. Economy-watchers say despite the low rate, many jobs remain open, and many people have dropped out of the workforce, altogether

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Public Safety, Health

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Prescription Drug Take Back event coming up

Broadcast Date: October 28, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** This radio station aired a news story about "Prescription Drug Take Back" Day which is happening tomorrow (Sat), and most Hoosier State Police stations are taking part. You can bring any of your old or unused prescription drugs to one of the drop-off locations. The medications will then be safely discarded. All Indiana State Police posts will be participating, from 10 until 2, except for the Lowell and Toll Road Posts.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Public Safety, Childhood/Family well-being

Program/Segment Title: News Story – News conference to update Delphi murder investigation

Broadcast Date: October 31, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: The radio station aired news stories about the long-awaited arrest of a suspect in the Delphi girls' murders which happened in 2017. This case is special, said Carroll County Prosecutor Nick McLeland, in a Monday press conference about the arrest of Richard Allen, 50, of Delphi, for the murders of Abby Williams and Libby German in 2017. McLeland said the probable cause and charging documents are sealed for now to protect the integrity of the case.

He said a public hearing would be held to determine if they remain sealed.



## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: October 31, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and VP Jan Diaz of the BBB of Northern Indiana talk about scammers offering Christmas Decorations that aren't what they claim to be.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Powerball jackpot growing to near 1.5 billion

Broadcast Date: November 4, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about the ever-growing Powerball jackpot up for grabs, this station aired a news story about how it's shaping up to be the second-largest Powerball jackpot ever. No one won the Jackpot prize Wednesday night so now it's grown to about 1-and-a-half billion dollars. The next drawing is Saturday night. Someone from Indiana did recently win a \$1 million prize while several other Hoosiers have won \$50,000.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Extreme Weather

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Power restored for some, still out for others

Broadcast Date: November 7, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about electrical outages due to a wind storm, this station aired a news story about how power has been restored to more than 90% of customers in most areas during Saturday's wind storm. Most of Indiana Michigan Power's customerw who lost electricity were in the South Bend area. An unlucky few are still without, but should have power back by early tonight. I&M has called in mutual assistance crews to help restore the power.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: November 7, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana discuss the pitfalls of apps and mobile games that can have hidden fees that will surprise customers when their bills arrive.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Political/ Election 2022

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Rudy Yakym wins IN District 2 Congressional seat

Broadcast Date: November 9, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about the biggest local race of the midterm election, this station aired a news story about how Republican Rudy Yakym has won Indiana's District 2 Congressional seat as well as the special election to fulfill the rest of the late Rep. Jackie Walorski's seat.

Yakym defeated Democrat Paul Steury, and Libertarian William Henry.

On his campaign website, Yakym described himself as a family man, businessman, and a common sense conservative ready to take his Hoosier values to Washington D.C. to tackle America's greatest challenges.

Yakym stated, "Now, more than ever, we need common sense business leaders who will roll up their sleeves and do what it takes to get the job done for the American people. In Congress, I'll use my business experience and common sense Hoosier values to get America back on track."

Yakym was once Walorski's campaign director and is endorsed by Walorski's mother Maratha and husband Dean Swihart, shortly after her death.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: November 14, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana conclude their discussion of the pitfalls of apps and mobile games that can have hidden fees that will surprise customers when their bills arrive.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Extreme Weather

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Winter weather to come

Broadcast Date: November 15, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about the sudden onslaught of early winter weather in the Michiana area, this station aired a news story about how more rounds of wintry weather are headed this way. The range of temps today (Tue) and tomorrow will make snow forecasting more difficult as different surfaces accumulate snow at different rates. The pavement is still warm, but grassy areas will catch flakes easier. In general, its a mix of rain / snow Tuesday and Wednesday. The focus on more significant snow accumulation will be Wednesday night into Thursday.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Health

Program/Segment Title: News Story – COVID, Flu-shot clinic in Elkhart

Broadcast Date: November 16, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about the availability of COVID vaccine for the Hispanic community, this station aired a news story about how the Northern Indiana Hispanic Health Coalition will host a COVID-19 and flu shot clinic in Elkhart on Saturday. The clinic will be at the Arena Michiana in Elkhart from 10 to 2 and will offer flu vaccines. COVID-19 tests will be available, along with with 1st, 2nd, or booster doses of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines.



## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: November 21, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and VP Jan Diaz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana talk about scam ads on social media that can look legitimate, but aren't.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Public Safety

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Indiana State Police increasing patrols

Broadcast Date: November 23, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about travel conditions, this station aired a news story about how Thanksgiving is one of the busiest travel seasons of the year. AAA is predicting 54.6 million people will be heading out for the holiday. Of those, nearly 49 million will be traveling by car, a rebound to almost pre-pandemic levels. This time of year is also associated with higher drinking rates, which combined with the sheer number of drivers on the road, makes it an especially dangerous time for motorists.

To prevent crashes, the Indiana State Police Bremen Post will be ramping up enforcement as part of the Safe Family Travel campaign. Starting this week, officers will be out in greater numbers conducting saturation patrols designed to discourage impaired driving and promote seat belt use.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story - Thanksgiving gas prices expected to be highest recorded

Broadcast Date: November 23, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about the fluctuation in gas prices, this station aired a news story about how prices are down during the holiday week, but they're still expected to be higher than the Thanksgiving record.

In Michigan, AAA says the statewide average price dropped 23 cents on Monday. That's attributed to lower crude oil prices. Michigan's previous Thanksgiving record was \$3.61 a gallon, set ten years ago. The state average this week is \$3.79.

Monday's average price in Indiana was even higher, at \$3.85 per gallon according to GasBuddy dot com. That price, however, is down nearly 20 cents compared to a week ago. In Northwest Indiana last week, the price nose-dived as much as 40 cents per gallon

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story - Data shows inflation, unemployment improving

Broadcast Date: November 29, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about their money and the overall state of the economy, this station aired a news story about how Ball State economist Michael Hicks says recent data on inflation and unemployment shows the economy is recovering. He says most financial problems are either a supply or demand issue.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Health, Coronavirus Pandemic

Program/Segment Title: News Story - Masks no longer mandatory in Goshen Hospital

Broadcast Date: November 30, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about policy changes related to the coronavirus pandemic, this station aired a news story about how masks are no longer mandatory inside parts of Goshen Hospital. The guidelines have changed, making masks optional for patients, visitors, and staff, regardless of vaccination status. However, inpatient units, the Center for Cancer care, emergency department, surgeries will still require masks. This, because those areas of the hospital are considered to be at highest risk for immunocompromised patients. WSBT reports that the hospital will still ask anyone with COVID or flu like symptoms to wear a mask.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: December 5, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana begin a month-long look at some of the potential scams attached to online shopping. Part one: Purchasing Scams.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Political

Program/Segment Title: News Story - Gov. Holcomb ineligible for reelection, focusing on statehouse session instead

Broadcast Date: December 8, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about changes coming to the state's representation on Capitol Hill, this station aired a news story about how Indiana will select a U.S. Senator in 2024, and some Hoosiers want Republican Governor Eric Holcomb to run.

At least two candidates, Republican Erik Benson and Progressive Party candidate Marshall Travis, have declared plans to run for the Senate seat being vacated by Republican Sen. Mike Braun, who filed paperwork last week to run for governor of Indiana in 2024.

Due to term restrictions, Holcomb, who is currently in his second term as governor, is ineligible to compete for reelection.

On Tuesday, Holcomb answered questions about a prospective candidacy for Congress, his first public appearance since being hospitalized with pneumonia and norovirus.

Holcomb made his first public appearance since being hospitalized with pneumonia on Tuesday. When questioned about a prospective run for Congress, the governor indicated he is focused on the upcoming statehouse session.

Holcomb's tenure as governor will expire in January 2025.

The Indiana General Assembly's next session is scheduled to begin on January 9, 2023, at 1:30 p.m.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Transportation, Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story - 1.3 million dollars put towards road work

Broadcast Date: December 8, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about newly-acquired funding for needed improvements, this station aired a news story about how \$1.3 million is coming to Michiana for needed road work. The money is being made available through the "Community Crossing Matching Grant Program." The dollars are earmarked for infrastructure projects. Bristol is receive nearly \$500-thosuand dollars. More funding announcements are expected.



## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: December 12, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana begin a month-long look at some of the potential scams attached to online shopping. Part two: Delivery Scams.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Transportation, Economy

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Electric vehicle owners to pay hourly rate for charging

Broadcast Date: December 13, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about an energy/fuel rate increase, this station aired a news story about how electric vehicle owners in Goshen can now expect to pay an hourly rate for using city-owned charging station. The Elkhart Truth reports that the Goshen Common Council approved a rate of \$1.17 per hour for using the stations. The rate will stay the same for the first four hours, but, once five hours hits, the rate will go up to \$5 per hour.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Political, Childhood/Family Well-being

Program/Segment Title: News Story - Jackie Walorski Maternal and Child Home Visiting Reauthorization Act

Broadcast Date: December 14, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about new aid coming to needing families, this station aired a news story about how Indiana Representative Frank Mrvan spoke on the House floor, Tuesday, talking about the bipartisan success of the Jackie Walorski Maternal and Child Home Visiting Reauthorization Act of 2022.

The bill passed the House with a 390-26 vote.

It increases funding for services that help new parents and their children with in-home support focused on improving child health and development, family safety and stability, and school readiness.

Walorski died in a car crash in August.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Scam Of The Week

Program/Segment Title: Scam Of The Week

Broadcast Date: December 19, 2022

Broadcast Time: 10:30 a.m.

Duration: 3 minutes

**Summary:** News anchor/reporter Tommie Lee and CEO Rick Walz of the Better Business Bureau of Northern Indiana discuss the latest developments with traditional "puppy scams," where scammers pretend to sell an animal online.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Extreme Weather, Public Safety

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Holiday winter storm to begin Thursday

Broadcast Date: December 21, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

Summary: To keep the public informed about an approaching blizzard, this station aired a news story about how the holiday winter storm arrives on Michiana's doorstep on Thursday. We'll start out Thursday with a mixture of rain and snow. Some freezing rain is possible, at times. Travel should be possible before 6 p.m. on Thursday. After that, a flash freeze is possible, which could make roads icy and dangerous. Precipitation will change over to all snow on Thursday night. Most of the area will experience near-blizzard conditions on Friday, with heavy snow and winds gusting over 40 m.p.h., making travel dangerous, if not impossible at points.

Most of the area should expect around 8 inches of snow by Friday night, with higher amounts expected closer to Lake Michigan. Along with all of this, feels-like temperatures could dip below -25 on Friday night. Lake effect snow will tack on several more inches of accumulation in the snow belts on Saturday. Even away from Lake Michigan, blowing and drifting snow could still be a concern, especially for the first part of Saturday. Snow should wrap up on Christmas morning. Highs on Christmas might not make it into the double digits.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Transportation, Extreme Weather

Program/Segment Title: News Story – Indiana Toll Road uses ban on vehicles

Broadcast Date: December 22, 2022

Broadcast Time: 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m.

Duration: 1 minute/each story

**Summary:** To keep the public informed about the approaching blizzard, this radio station aired a news story about how the Indiana Toll Road has issued a ban on all triple tractor-trailers, all doubles, both long and small, and high-profile oversize permit loads. The ban is due to the holiday winter storm that is hitting the Hoosier state. The ban begins at 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 22 and lasts through 11 o'clock on Saturday, Dec. 24.