

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Program List for Station –KSIR January - March 2023

Assessment of Issues for this quarter: Issues important to our community are gleaned from Federal agencies, ag organizations and local Chambers of Commerce, law enforcement, business owners, city/county/state employees, politicians, other media, Facebook and Twitter postings, conversations with community members at community concerts, special events and other functions in the communities of our listening area.

Section I. Issues.

A. Education: Discussions with organization leaders, water educators and Colorado State University Extension especially as it relates to the region's agriculture industry.

B. Government: The general discussion of policies related to our government both statewide and local issues. Government programs, state ballot initiatives and bills.

C. Agriculture- Government related: Government programs and policy discussion specific to agriculture and rural communities.

D. Agriculture- Environmental and Resources related: Land and water issues.

E. Agriculture- Crop, Livestock and Production related: Planting, harvest, crop disease, livestock issues, new technology.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

A: Education:

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 1, 2023. Duration: 9 minutes. Discussion with Kit Carson County CSU Area Agronomist and Extension Specialist, Ron Meyer. He talked about testing dormant wheat, and early-season weed control. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 23, 2023. Duration: 9 minutes. Discussion with Colorado State University Golden Plains Area Livestock Specialist, Travis Taylor. He talked about early fertility testing in bulls, grass turnout, winter forage, and hay supplies. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

B. Government: The general discussion of policies related to our government both statewide and local issues. Government programs, state ballot initiatives, and bills.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 23, 2023. Duration: 8 minutes. Discussion with Washington County Farm Service Agency County Executive Director, Kevin Reeves. He gave updates on current programs and deadlines and talked about the 2023 Farm Bill. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 16, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with DVM, Maggie Baldwin. She talked about the Avian Influenza outbreak and higher egg prices at the grocery store. She then talked about things she is doing at the National Western Stock Show and upcoming projects. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 27, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Golden Plains Area CSU Extension Agent and Livestock Specialist, Travis Taylor. He talked about preparing for calving and cattle supplements and feeds. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 6, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Vice President of the Communications with US Wheat Associates, Steve Mercer. He talked about China's baking industry and US wheat import activity Post-COVID recovery process. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

C. Agriculture- Government related: Government programs and policy discussion specific to agriculture and rural communities.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 4, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Communications and Policy Director with Colorado Wheat, Madison Anderson. She talked about upcoming elections and grower meetings. She also gave a wheat conditions update. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 5, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Colorado Farm Bureau National Affairs Director, Ashley House. She talked about the Waters of the United States' recent ruling and the upcoming American Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting that she will be attending. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 26, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with National Cattlemen's Beef Association Vice President of Government Affairs, Ethan Lane. He talked about the current status of the Waters of the U.S. Rule, new congressional committee assignments, Farm Bill priorities, and the upcoming convention. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 17, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with Colorado Corn Promotion Council Executive Director, Nick Colglazier. He talked about the rebranding of the organization, the recent Commodity Classic, Mexico issuing a biotech corn ban against the U.S., and the value of corn in relation to the livestock industry. Lorrie Boyer Zoom Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 22, 2023. Duration: 8 minutes. Discussion with Mary-Thomas Hart, Chief Council for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. She talked about recent rulings on the Waters of the US with Texas and Idaho receiving court approval to be exempt from WOTUS. She then talked about federal black vulture legislation being introduced recently into the Senate. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 27, 2023. Duration: 12 minutes. Discussion with Dave Samulson, senior director of government affairs with the American Farm Bureau Federation. He talked about the issue of Mexico banning GMO corn from the U.S. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

D: Agriculture- Environmental and Resources related: Water and land issues.

Northeast Colorado Talks. Broadcast on January 4, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Communications Specialist with Northern Water, Eric Brown. He talked about the Northern Integrated Supply Project and upcoming events that Northern Water

will be at. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 31, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with General Manager of the Pruett and North Sterling Reservoirs, Jim Yahn. He gave an area reservoir conditions update, gave a legislative update, and talked about a recent meeting he spoke at. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 23, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with General Manager of the Pruett and North Sterling Reservoirs, Jim Yahn. He gave a reservoir storage update and talked about a bill that would damn up water for beavers in the Western part of the state and how that is out of prior appropriations and could negatively affect downstream users. He then talked about some updates to automate reservoir headgates to make water delivery more efficient and an additional reservoir to be constructed towards the end of the delivery system to catch extra water and help mitigate fluctuations. Lorrie Boyer Video Interview.

E. Agriculture- Crop, Livestock, and Production related: Planting, harvest, crop disease, livestock issues, new technology.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 19, 2023. Duration: 8 minutes. Discussion with Erin Karney, executive vice president of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association. She talked about their recent mid-winter conference, her being at the Colorado Farm Show next week, policy, and proposed Colorado legislation that they are watching. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on January 20, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Colorado Corn Administrative Committee Past President and National Corn Growers Association Market Development Action Team Chair, Troy Schneider. He talked about a recent NCGA meeting where action teams met to discuss work and goals. He highlighted the consumer education that they are engaging in. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 2, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with Taylor Szilaggy, vice president of strategy and operations with the Colorado Farm Bureau. She introduced herself and talked about her role at CFB. She talked about a member taking part and taking third place in a national communications contest. State legislative issues- a quarter-crossing bill that they are opposed to, and other private property rights issues. In addition, they are monitoring Colorado the Right to Repair bill

that has been introduced. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 2, 2023. Duration: 9 minutes. Discussion with Madison Anderson, Colorado Wheat Director of Communications and Policy. She gave a wheat conditions update, the Colorado Right to Repair legislation, Pesticide Applicators Sunset, and scholarships. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 8, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with National Milk Producers Federation Vice President of Membership Services and Strategic Initiatives, Chris Galen. He talked about the reintroduction of the Dairy Pride Act, Farm Bill Hearings, and dairy economics. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 16, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with Erin Karney, executive vice president of the Colorado Cattlemen's Association. She talked about how the state's beef industry is fairing with economic and weather challenges, product labeling, the call for halting imports from Brazil due to their finding of Foot and Mouth Disease, the Colorado legislative session, and ag-related bills. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 20, 2023. Duration: 11 minutes. Discussion with Colorado Independent Cattle Growers Association Immediate Past President, Curt Warner. He talked about a nationally proposed "born in" label for US beef and they're wanting a mandatory label versus voluntary labeling, the Opportunity for Fairness and Farming Act, and mentioned gun laws will be the topics of the week at the Colorado legislature. Lorrie Boyer Phone Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 29, 2023. Duration: 12 minutes. Discussion with Crossroads Coop Regional Manager, Bryan Irey. He talked about grain markets, trends, and market impacts. Lorrie Boyer Video Interview.

Daily Ag Interview. Broadcast on March 30, 2023. Duration: 10 minutes. Discussion with Marlyn Bay Drake, executive director of the Colorado Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association. She recapped their recent annual meeting and talked about state legislation and farmworker issue and robotics. Lorrie Boyer Video Interview.

