



Quarterly Issues/Program List

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Politics

What to Watch for at the Democratic Presidential Debate

Thursday, September 12, 2019 [**Morning Edition** 5:05 am TRT = 4:24]

By NPR Morning Edition host Rachel Martin with NPR Political

Correspondent Scott Detrow | **Ten Democratic presidential candidates will be in Houston Thursday. Former Vice President Joe Biden and Mass. Sen. Elizabeth Warren will be in the spotlight, as they meet on stage for the first time.**

Many GOP Lawmakers Align with Trump Against Impeachment Inquiry

Thursday, September 12, 2019 [**Morning Edition** 8:09 am TRT = 6:45]

By NPR's Noel King | NPR's Noel King talks to GOP Rep. Andy Barr of

Kentucky about this week's developments in the whistleblower complaint regarding a July phone call between President Trump and Ukraine's president. President Trump said this morning on Twitter that his call with Ukraine's president back in July could not, quote, "have been better or more honorable." Now, many Republican lawmakers continue to stick with the president on this, including Congressman Andy Barr of Kentucky.

Florida Sen. Marco Rubio Speaks Out on Changes to Gun Laws

Friday, September 13, 2019 [**All Things Considered** 5:03 pm TRT = 7:53]

By NPR's Mary Louise Kelly | NPR's Mary Louise Kelly speaks with Senator Marco Rubio, R-Fla., about his legislation supporting the expansion of red flag laws in states, as a way to curb gun violence. Guns and how to stop gun violence in the U.S. were front and center in last night's Democratic debate, with former Congressman Beto O'Rourke of Texas endorsing mandatory buybacks of assault-style weapons and delivering one of the more memorable lines of the night.

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Friday, September 27, 2019 [**Morning Edition** 8:09 am TRT = 6:45]

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Urbanization

Sumter County Residents Face Property Tax Hike

Tuesday, September 24, 2019 [**Intersection** 12:29 pm TRT = 10:43]

By 90.7 WMFE's Matthew Peddie | Sumter County commissioners voted to increase property taxes for the first time in 14 years. The millage is jumping about 24% to \$6.70 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The increase will help pay for services like roads and fire services in a rapidly urbanizing county. Sumter County administrator Bradley Arnold joins Intersection to explain why commissioners decided to increase taxes now, and how services will be paid for in the future.

Environment

Local and State Leaders Planning to Organize Around Change

Friday, July 12, 2019 [**Intersection** 9:33 am TRT = 9:40]

By 90.7 WMFE's Matthew Peddie | For the first time, local leaders from across the region are joining in on an effort to plan for climate change. The East Central Florida Regional Resilience Collaborative is the third in the state and the nineteenth in the nation. WMFE's environmental reporter Amy Green joined Matthew Peddie on Intersection to talk more about environmental efforts from all over the region.

Dorian's Toll on Turtles

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 [**Intersection** 9:35 am TRT = 21:47]

By 90.7 WMFE's Matthew Peddie | Although Florida residents were spared the worst impacts from Dorian, high winds and storm surge battered the beaches along the Atlantic coast, gouging sand from the shoreline and destroying turtle nests. What's the legacy of Dorian with Florida's green turtle population? David Godfrey, Executive Director of Sea Turtle Conservancy, and Dr. Kate Mansfield, Associate Professor at UCF and Director of the Marine Turtle Research Group, join Intersection to talk about the natural and man-made threats to turtles.

Hurricane Dorian, Its Aftermath and the Climate Crisis

Friday, September 6, 2019 [**The Florida Roundup** 12:00 pm TRT = 49:00]

By The Florida Roundup host Tom Hudson and Melissa Ross | This week, Hurricane Dorian devastated the northern Bahamas and stalked Florida, which was spared a direct hit, for days. We spent the full hour looking at the science behind the storm, its strength and speed, as well as the politics of climate change and the environment in the Sunshine State. Our guests were: Andrea Dutton, visiting associate professor of paleoclimate/paleoceanography, sea level change and isotope geochemistry, University of Wisconsin; Bob Berwyn, reporter, *InsideClimate News*; State Rep. Anna Eskamani, D-Orlando and State Rep. Heather Fitzenhagen, R-Ft. Myers

Endangered Florida Grasshopper Sparrows Released Into The Wild Despite Concerns

Thursday, September 19, 2019 [**All Things Considered** 4:15 pm TRT = 5:06]

By NPR's Audie Cornish with 90.7 WMFE's Amy Green reporting | There are fewer than 80 Florida grasshopper sparrows left in the wild. As researchers release more into the wild, there's a fight brewing about whether that's the best plan to save them. It's the Florida grasshopper sparrow. There are fewer than 80 left in the wild. In an effort to rescue the species, wildlife managers are, for the first time, releasing captive-raised sparrows in the wild. They're doing this despite concerns that the releases could kill off more sparrows. Amy Green of member station WMFE reports.

Climate Strikes; Climate Solutions Caucus; Bottling Water from Ginnie Springs

Friday, September 20, 2019 [**The Florida Roundup** 12:00 pm, 9:00 pm TRT = 48:58]

By The Florida Roundup host Melissa Ross | Climate Strikes: Millions of students and adults around the world took time off from school and work Friday to participate in a Global Climate Strike. The action comes ahead of a planned United Nations Climate Action Summit that takes place next week in New York. We spoke to Caroline Lewis, Founder and Senior Advisor of the Cleo Institute, a climate education nonprofit. Her organization helped plan the strike in Miami Beach. Two high school students who participated in it, Andrew Weaver and John Paul Mejia, also took part in the discussion. Additionally, Reporter Jessica Meszaros of WUSF in Tampa joined us from a climate strike in St. Petersburg.

Climate Solutions Caucus: Two Florida congressmen are heading up an effort in Washington to deal with climate change. Representative Ted Deutch, a Democrat, and Representative Francis Rooney, a Republican, lead the bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus on Capitol Hill, and joined us with more information.

Bottling Water From Ginnie Springs: Food giant Nestlé is requesting a permit that would allow the company to pump up to a million gallons of water a day from Ginnie Springs in Gilchrist County to produce more bottled water. But environmentalists oppose the deal, citing concerns about the water supply. Reporter Amy Greene of WMFE in Orlando joined us for a closer look.

Education

The Politics of Climate Change

Thursday, September 12, 2019 [**Intersection** 12:27 pm TRT = 12:23]

By 90.7 WMFE's Matthew Peddie | Teaching the politics of climate change. Political Scientist Michael Gunter says powerful hurricanes like Dorian reinforce the need to confront the reality of climate change before it's too late. Gunter says the solution is twofold: changing the way we live to slow climate change and adapting to a warmer planet. Gunter is an author and speaker on global environmental affairs and a professor and international relations director at Rollins College. *Education reporting on 90.7 News is supported by Helios Education Foundation*

Chartered Florida's First Private Takeover of a Public School System

Friday, September 13, 2019 [WLRN 9:00 am TRT = 59:54]

By WLRN's Jessica Bakeman | Florida's first all-charter school district was engineered by unelected state bureaucrats at then-Gov. Rick Scott's Department of Education, funded by the state Legislature and carried out by a charter school network based in South Florida, nearly 500 miles away. This "experiment" in rural Jefferson County has been transformational for many students but disastrous for a few. And it's already changing education in Florida forever. They will spend an hour looking at when school choice is turned on its head, when the alternative becomes its only option.

Charter Schools in the Sunshine State

Friday, September 13, 2019 [The Florida Roundup 12:00 pm, 9:00 pm TRT = 49:09] By The Florida Roundup hosts Tom Hudson and Melissa Ross | We spent the full hour taking a closer look at the growth of the charter school movement in Florida with Jessica Bakeman of WLRN, who hosted and produced the documentary *Chartered: Florida's First Private Takeover of a Public School System*, (Jefferson County) for the station and Ben Wilcox, Research Director, Integrity Florida.

Health

Will Patients with Lung Illnesses Linked to Vaping Make a Full Recovery?

Thursday, September 19, 2019 [Morning Edition 7:26 am TRT = 4:28]

By NPR's David Green with Allison Aubrey | With seven deaths and hundreds of cases of serious illnesses linked to vaping, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention ramped up its probe — trying to nail down the cause of the sicknesses. The CDC has ramped up its investigation of vaping, trying to nail down the cause of the sicknesses. There are almost 400 cases of serious lung illnesses linked to vaping and seven deaths. It appears most patients have fallen ill after vaping THC, a psychoactive component in cannabis. Can those patients expect to recover? NPR's Allison Aubrey has been looking into that.

All-In-One Pill May Help to Prevent Heart Disease, Researchers Say

Monday, September 23, 2019 [**Morning Edition** 6:49 am TRT = 2:12]

By NPR's Patti Neighmond | When it comes to fighting heart disease among low-income individuals, researchers find that an all-in-one pill may be just what's needed to lower blood pressure and cholesterol. People suffering from heart disease are often prescribed pills, a lot of pills - so many, in fact, that it can be a problem to take them all at the right times. The pill regimen becomes a barrier to effective treatment. So what if there was a polypill which did it all in one? NPR's Patti Neighmond reports.

Some Experts Disagree over new ADHD Guidelines

Monday, September 30, 2019 [**Morning Edition** 5:08 am TRT = 49:09] By

NPR member station KCUR's Alex Smith | New ADHD guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics recommend children five or older take medication and get therapy as soon as they are diagnosed. Some experts say this is the wrong approach. When kids are diagnosed with ADHD, the first line of treatment is usually stimulant medications like Ritalin. New guidelines largely agree those medicines are important, but other doctors just take a different approach. Here's Alex Smith from member station KCUR in Kansas City.