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Programs & Issues List

The Radio Vermont Group

4th Quarter 2019

October 1st thru December 31st

Following is a list of major topic areas to be addressed in our news and public affairs coverage. Different items may be substituted depending upon current news events unforeseen at the outset of this quarter.

Examples of specific stories are given to help you identify if the topic fits the issue category.

Issue 1: **One Care Vermont / Health Care Costs**

Issue 2: **Prison Misconduct / Population**

Issue 3: **Mental Health Facility Plans**

Issue 4: **Halloween Storm & Aftermath**

Issue 5: **Laws & Protests relating to Climate Change**

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Programs and Issues – 2020

The Programs and Issues in this file are “representative” of our news and public affairs efforts – but do not fully demonstrate the breath of our reporting and our commitment to “live” local and relevant radio. Below is a summary of some of our major regularly scheduled broadcast efforts.

Monday-Friday:

Radio VT News provides extended coverage of local, state and regional news:

6:05am – 7:05am – 8:05am – 12:05pm – 4:05pm – 5:05pm

Each Newscasts is 5 to 10-minutes in length and features a variety of reports.

At 7:30AM Mon-Fri – The Morning Briefing: 10-mins of World & National News

The Morning News Service airs from 7-9am – two full hours of news, weather, sports, travel updates, commentary, interviews, plus studio and phone guests. WDEV employs our own forecaster Roger Hill who details the micro-climate of the region while watching major national weather stories and climate change. The MNS is produced by Radio Vermont News with additional world and national updates from AP Radio News.

Radio Vermont News has developed reporter relations with WCAX-TV Channel 3 News. Monday-Friday reporter Melissa Sheketoff joins the Morning News Service with a “live” interactive update to explore stories in much greater depth than available from wire service reports.

In our “Conversation with the Editor” series, we discuss major stories from some of Vermont’s most respected weekly newspapers:

Monday:	The Waterbury Record (Waterbury) – Tommy Gardiner, Reporter
Tuesday:	The Addison Independent (Middlebury) - John Flowers, Reporter
Wednesday:	The Valley Reporter (Waterbury) – Hadley Lefskovski, Editor
Thursday:	The Gazette (Hardwick) – Ray Small, Publisher & Editor
Friday:	The Herald (Randolph) – Tim Calabro, Publisher & Editor

The Dave Gram Show: 9-11am

This is our newsmaker public affairs interview program. Johnson, a longtime print journalist turned radio host, provides detailed analysis of the news plus a Vermont perspective on world events. His guests are varied and represent a wide political spectrum. During the legislative session, Mark originates his program direct from the Vermont Statehouse in Montpelier (Fridays and during special event days). His program also goes mobile for events such as the Chamber of Commerce Business EXPO, the Tunbridge World’s Fair and other gatherings.

The Midday News Service: Noon-1PM

An hour-long update of the very latest news, business report, sports, weather and a variety of human interest features. This is the most comprehensive lunchtime news hour of any Vermont radio station. With the “Special Assignment” section, Radio VT News often delivers lengthy segments of news conferences or legislative debate. We are committed to providing our listeners with more than a “sound bite” service.

The Evening News Service: 4-5:30PM

The very latest news developments, sports and weather, perfect for the drive home. Special updated reports on the day’s breaking news stories with Cat Viglienzoni from WCAX-TV News around 4:05PM and at 5:05PM, VT Digger.org reports – the state’s leading on-line investigative news site. Plus Conversations with Tom Gardner (Stowe Reporter), Mike Dunphy (Montpelier Bridge)

Saturday Morning:

Similar to weekdays, WDEV is “live and local” with updated news reports including the Morning News Service from 7-8am. This hour also features “For the Birds” a program dedicated to watching and listening to birds; “The Green Mountain Club” report – with opportunities to explore VT outdoors and take advantage of guided and organized hikes around the state.

During the **Saturday Midday News Service** (12:00-12:30PM)

Sunday Morning:

At 6:00PM, WDEV Airls Evening Programs from CBS Radio, including ‘60 Minutes’

WDEV airs Red Sox Baseball, Norwich D3 Hockey, NASCAR racing, local stock car racing and high school basketball (boys & girls) regular-season and championship games. WDEV provide “Team Coverage” of every Town Meeting Day (March) plus coverage of Primary and General Election nights.

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Radio Vermont News

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New Text Document

OneCare Vermont is the for-profit company that now oversees the health care of 175,000 Vermonters.

It aims to promote healthy living and staying on top of chronic medical conditions by reducing the need for expensive acute care.

Under OneCare, providers no longer bill for each service they provide. Instead, they get paid a flat fee based on each patient's relative health.

OneCare is already helping reduce costs for Medicare and Medicaid patients but has yet to produce savings in the private insurance market.

Critics have questioned whether those savings will materialize.

CEO Vicki Loner tells Channel Three that the model is working, but that measuring success will take time ---

{1223SOT Vicki Loner}

[Outcue: 35 "time to work."]

OneCare is asking lawmakers for approval of \$13 million dollars. \$4 million of that will come from Vermont taxpayers.

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get a flat fee for each patient. The providers then invest that money into preventative care and regular checkups so patients can catch acute conditions before they have to go to the hospital.

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Democratic presidential hopefuls on the campaign trail have had a lot to say this fall about 'Medicare for all,' the single-payer health care plan championed by Bernie Sanders.

But Vermont abandoned single-payer a few years ago and is now working toward an 'all-payer' model which maintains the commercial insurance market but changes how doctors and hospitals get paid, and how people receive care and interact with their doctors.

OneCare Vermont is the for-profit accountable care organization set up to run the state's all-payer system. CEO Vicki Loner talked to Channel Three ---

{1220SOT Vicki Loner}

[Outcue: 24 "substance use."]

{MORE VO}

The all-payer model was signed into law by Governor Peter Shumlin in 2016. In it, health care providers

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Health care regulators approved a \$1.42 billion budget for OneCare Vermont, a 59% increase over last year. The growth reflects the increase in size in the accountable care organization, which has been charged with enacting the state's health care reform efforts.

V-T Digger reports The five members of the Green Mountain Care Board voted unanimously in favor of the budget – which included 23 conditions – on Wednesday. They requested that OneCare create an online dashboard by next summer to increase transparency and allow the public to see health data results.

OneCare Vermont has been charged with implementing the state's all-payer health care system, which was launched in 2016.

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The United Health Foundation recently named Vermont as the healthiest state in the country.

And a new program looks to keep it that way by helping Vermonters cut back on their sugar intake.

RiseVT has partnered with the Beverage Association of Vermont on the "Sweet Enough" campaign that promotes healthier drink alternatives by merchandising them in specially-marked coolers at select retailers.

The Department of Health has partnered with RiseVT in the past on nutrition programs. State Health Commissioner Dr. Mark Levine tells Channel Three that there are many factors that contribute to the overall health of the state's population ---

{1216SOT Mark Levine}

[Outcue: 21 "you might think otherwise."]

The "Sweet Enough" program aims to help people make healthy beverage choices while they're "on the go".

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J9* - Woodside Closing Update

sentencing.

The panel also wants the state to collect more data from law enforcement and Vermont's courts. They say this will help those in power better understand patterns of bias in arrests and sentencing.

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The Green Mountain Care Board pitched their recommendations for OneCare's budget yesterday morning as the all-payer system is seeking an additional \$13 million dollars to expand services.

Among them was for OneCare to be more transparent with its data by providing an online dashboard patients can access to see where their money is going.

OneCare uses a model in which doctors are paid a flat monthly rate instead of by individual procedures.

Some are skeptical about whether OneCare is actually working but providers say it will take time for more participants to sign on.

Dr. Toby Sadkin of St. Albans Primary Care tells Channel Three the OneCare model promotes healthy living and regular checkups instead of expensive visits to the emergency room ---

{1212SOT Toby Sadkin}

[Outcue: 17 "work together on it."]

This year, there are around 175,000 Vermonters in the program. OneCare wants to grow that number to 250,000 people next year.

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The state's marketing arm for OneCare Vermont is teaming up with the Beverage Association of Vermont, in an effort to reduce Vermonters consumption of sugar.

(1210SOT Lee Sugar)

Local patrons in stores and restaurants are being encouraged to select low-and-no sugar beverage options from coolers with "Sweet Enough" signage.

Sweet Enough is a new behavior change marketing campaign launched by RiseVT this fall to help Vermonters be more mindful of their beverage choices as a part of a balanced lifestyle.

Americans consume from 3 to 6 times more added sugar than the maximum recommended amount by the American Heart Association and Centers for Disease Prevention.

You can Learn more online at rise v-t dot org.

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Vermont is the healthiest state in the nation according to the United Health Foundation's annual report.

Vermont's health commissioner says the state has made steady progress in reducing the rate of adult obesity and smoking, increases in childhood immunization rates and physical activity.

Governor Phil Scott says while there is always room for improvement, Vermont's position as the healthiest in the nation speaks to the high quality of life the state offers.

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State Auditor Doug Hoffer says a whistleblower's claims that OneCare Vermont misled regulators are a "big deal" that should be investigated.

With more on this story, here's Katie Jickling of VT Digger ---

{1210SOT Katie OneCare}

[Outcue: 1:16 "been a lie, essentially."]

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Governor Phil Scott announced the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has approved an amendment to Vermont's Global Commitment To Health Medicaid demonstration to enable federal payments for Vermont Medicaid beneficiaries requiring short-term treatment for diagnosis of serious mental illness at institutions for mental disease. The approval means health care services provided to Medicaid-eligible Vermonters at these institutions are now authorized state expenditures for federal financial participation and will be reimbursed like other medical expenses in the Medicaid program.

Vermont currently uses shrinking Medicaid investment dollars to pay for services provided in these inpatient settings but is required to phase-out this spending in future years. This amendment means that Vermont no longer needs to use investments to pay for most short-term treatment at these institution.

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A former employee of OneCare Vermont is accusing the organization of committing fraud and wasting millions in taxpayer dollars.

In a federal complaint made public last week, a former employee claims OneCare and the UVM Medical Center raised and spent state and federal funds based on false representations of how they handle their data.

Robert Hoffman was hired in early 2018 to manage OneCare's data analytics. He claims software used to handle patient data was flawed and virtually useless. He says OneCare knew about the deficiencies but continued to tout the program to Medicare and Medicaid anyway.

Governor Phil Scott weighed in on the complaint with Channel Three and called for transparency ---

{1202SOT Phil Scott}

[Outcue: 14 "some of these entities."]

The employee says he was fired after raising the red flag with OneCare leadership.

But OneCare says he only worked there for two months and was let go because of poor performance.

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Hoffman says he was fired after raising the red flag with OneCare leadership.

But OneCare says Hoffman only worked there for two months and was let go because of poor performance.

Even though the whistleblower complaint was filed in 2018, it didn't become public until this past week when it was unsealed by prosecutors.

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A former employee of OneCare Vermont is accusing the organization of committing fraud, allegedly wasting millions in taxpayer dollars. But both state and federal prosecutors have declined to intervene in the case.

OneCare Vermont is a group of doctors and hospitals responsible for rolling out the state's new all-payer health care system.

In a federal complaint, former employee Robert Hoffman claims OneCare and the UVM Medical Center raised and spent state and federal funds based on false representations of how they handle their data.

Hoffman was hired in early 2018 to manage OneCare's data analytics. He claims software used to handle patient data was flawed and virtually useless. Furthermore, Hoffman says OneCare knew about the deficiencies in the program but continued to tout the program to Medicare and Medicaid officials.

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The U.S. Attorney's Office has declined to intervene in a case alleging that OneCare Vermont has committed fraud.

Robert Hoffman, a former manager of the analytics team for OneCare, asserted that the accountable care organization and the University of Vermont Medical Center had misled the state and federal agencies about the reliability of its data, which is central to the state's health care reform efforts.

V-T Digger reports that Hoffman claimed the government, specifically the federal Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services, had been defrauded and that he was fired from his job at OneCare because of the concerns he raised.

U.S. Attorney Christina Nolan declined to intervene in the case and made the court documents public on Wednesday. Nolan didn't say why she made the decision, and she did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

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The state of Vermont is working to roll out a new website that would eventually replace Vermont Health Connect, but some lawmakers are wary of the final price tag.

The Integrated Eligibility and Enrollment Program aims to be a one-stop-shop for Vermonters applying for state services such as food stamps or health care.

But because it's so complex, the state is rolling it out in 12 stages.

Integrated Eligibility is slated to cost over \$13 million dollars in 2020. And officials say they can't yet put a final price tag on it because there will be ongoing costs associated with the new technology over time.

Franklin County Senator Randy Brock tells Channel Three he questions the program's cost ---

{1118SOT Randy Brock} [Outcue: 20 "and never have worked."]

Officials say rolling out the program in a modular fashion gives the state more financial flexibility, and gives programmers the ability to better respond to technical challenges.

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Radio Vermont News

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New Text Document

Health care officials outlined results last week indicating Vermont's health care reform efforts are working -- as they simultaneously acknowledged they don't have enough information to state that conclusively.

Representatives laid out the 2018 results from OneCare Vermont, which is meant to change the way health care is funded --- from paying doctors per procedure to providing a set fee per patient.

The model focuses on wellness and keeping people out of the doctor's office through preventive care.

OneCare is seeking approval of its \$1.43 billion dollar budget, which the Green Mountain Care Board will vote on in December.

Chittenden County Senator Ginny Lyons is the ~~new~~ chair of the Senate Health and Welfare Committee. She joined the Dave Gram Show this morning where she acknowledged challenges the state faces when it comes to affordable health care in general ---

{1125SOT Ginny Lyons}

[Outcue: 49 "their primary care doc."]

The complete interview with Senator Lyons is on the Dave Gram Show Podcast on streaming services and at WDEV Radio dot com.

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The University of Vermont Health Network is rolling out a new \$151 million dollar electronic records system, and doctors say it will fundamentally change the way they provide care to patients.

The system will allow doctors to schedule, bill and see patient records. Patients can view lab test results, schedule appointments, and refill prescriptions online.

VT Digger reports that the system is from Epic, a national health care software company. It will be rolled out initially in four of UVM Health Network's hospitals. Two others will start participating within the next two years.

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OneCare Vermont has a proposed \$1.3 billion dollar budget. Lawmakers heard from healthcare regulators and OneCare leadership about why it wants a spending increase. The company is a coalition of hospitals and doctors, and it's looking to grow the all-payer model.

The state's all-payer model looks to save money in the long run by having people go to the doctor on a regular basis instead of when they need emergency treatment.

But healthcare regulators say it's too soon tell if it's working.

Green Mountain Care Board Chairman Kevin Mullen tells Channel Three there are also misconceptions about why OneCare is a for-profit company ---

{1105SOT Kevin Mullen} [Outcue: 17 "forced into this coalition."]

Currently, there are 160,000 people enrolled in OneCare, and the group wants to grow that number to 250,000.

State regulators will vote on OneCare's final budget plan in December.

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OneCare Vermont is facing questions about administrative costs as it makes its case to state regulators for a \$1.43 billion budget.

Created to manage payments to health care providers in the state, OneCare says the bulk of its budget will flow through to hospitals and other health groups.

VTDigger.org reports that OneCare's budget also includes \$62 million for its own operations and various health programs.

OneCare, the state's only accountable care organization, made its case this week to the Green Mountain Care Board, which regulates health care spending in Vermont.

Critics told the board OneCare needs to be more transparent and needs to extend care to uninsured Vermonters.

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The state's sole accountable care organization is asking regulators to approve a \$1.36 billion budget.

The spending proposal represents a 33% increase over last year.

Here's VT Digger's Mike Dougherty with the details ---

{1021SOT Mike OneCare}

[Outcue: 55 "from the all-payer system."]

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Three years after its creation, an entity set up to streamline Vermont's health care spending is struggling to achieve savings as its budget and patient population expand.

The all-payer system known as OneCare was launched in 2016 to pool money from a flat annual per patient fee, instead of reimbursements for specific treatments.

OneCare is supposed to incentivize hospitals to keep down the cost of care, partly by increasing use of primary care.

But VTDigger reports that the company is struggling to meet its targets. And it's banking on the state propping up the program with a \$13 million payment from Medicaid.

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Radio Vermont News

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MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - A former top federal prosecutor in Vermont has been chosen to lead an investigation into conditions at the state's women's prison in South Burlington and other prisons in the state. The selection of Tristram Coffin, his legal team at a Burlington law firm and a corrections expert, was announced Friday by Agency of Human Services Secretary Michael Smith. He also announced that Jim Baker, a former head of the Vermont State Police, will serve as interim commissioner of the Vermont Corrections Department. The state is launching the investigation after reports sexual misconduct and drug use at the women's prison.á

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Vermont Corrections Commissioner Mike Touchette has resigned in the wake of reports of sexual abuse and drug use by some officials at the state's only prison for women.

There was no immediate explanation for the resignation from state officials today other than that Touchette requested to return to classified service in state government.

Governor Phil Scott last week appointed Human Services Secretary Mike Smith to launch an immediate investigation to get to the bottom of the allegations brought forward in a Seven Days report.

The situation was compounded over the weekend when two top prison officials at the Newport prison were placed on administrative leave without explanation.

No criminal charges have been filed in the South Burlington prison case, but Vermont State Police have confirmed they're investigating one correctional officer, Daniel Zorzi.

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Vermont Corrections Commissioner Mike Touchette has resigned in the wake of reports of sexual abuse and drug use by some officials at the state's only prison for women.

VT Digger's Katie Jickling has more ---

{1219SOT Katie Touchette} [Outcue: 40 "and reevaluating them."]

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The state's prison system has had a lot of issues over the past month.

The suspension of two top officials at the Northern State Correctional Facility over the weekend follows an ongoing sex and drug abuse scandal at the women's prison in South Burlington and two lockdowns in Springfield and Rutland.

Former Vermont Defender General, and longtime critic of the state's correctional system, Robert Appel joined the Dave Gram Show ~~this morning~~ where he questioned the prison system's chain of command ---

{1216SOT Robert Appel}

[Outcue: 22 "doing the right thing."]

The complete conversation with Robert Appel is on the Dave Gram Show Podcast on streaming services and at WDEV Radio dot com.

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Two top prison officials at the Northern State Correctional Facility have been put on administrative leave.

Department of corrections commissioner Mike Touchette says a credible report was made against Superintendent Joshua Rutherford and Assistant Superintendent Scott Martin.

Touchette says the report warrants further assessment.

Greg Hale, who is the top prison official at the facility in Swanton, will temporarily take over in Newport while assistant superintendents fill Hale's role.

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On Friday, the Vermont Commission on women issued a statement on sex and drug abuse allegations surrounding the state's only women's prison.

The Commission said it has serious questions regarding the ability of the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility to address allegations in a timely, thoughtful and consistent manner.

The Commission added that the stories are symptomatic of a system built upon punitive, rather than restorative, practices, and one that fails to appropriately respond to trauma.

The Commission did applaud the state's response and says it is concerned for both prison staff as well as inmates.

Last week, the Vermont Agency of Human Services said it would take a more active role in the day to day operations at the prison

The allegations of sex and drug abuse were first reported by Seven Days.

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Vermont Agency of Human Services Secretary Mike Smith has announced policy changes in the Department of Corrections as a criminal investigation looks into allegations of misconduct at Vermont's only women's prison.

Smith says his office is rolling out a new system for both employees and inmates to report misconduct that sends all complaints to a third party.

The agency is also reintroducing sexual harassment training, and seeking a third party to conduct an independent review of the Department of Corrections.

Smith joined the Dave Gram Show, and made it a point to say that people shouldn't punish the entire Corrections Organization over the actions of a few ---

{1212SOT Mike Smith} [Outcue: 36 "neglect saying that."]

A full report is expected next week.

The complete conversation with Mike Smith is on the Dave Gram Show Podcast on streaming services and at WDEV Radio dot com.

New Text Document

The ACLU is demanding justice for women of the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility after a Seven Days report found widespread allegations of sexual abuse.

The report claims it's not uncommon for guards to sexually abuse inmates, harass female employees and to pursue women who have left the prison.

~~██████████~~, the ACLU hosted a community discussion to talk about ways to seek justice.

Commissioner Mike Touchette said he's focused on safe reporting and transparency. He also said there will be immediate changes ---

{1211SOT Mike Touchette} [Outcue: 21 "fast but smart changes."]
{MORE VO}

He did not say if corrections staff will be fired or if he is stepping down.

Touchette said the Agency of Human Services will take over the prison while it conducts a neutral evaluation of the allegations.

Channel Three also caught up with Chittenden County State's Attorney Sarah George ---

{1211SOT Sarah George} [Outcue: 26 "never hearing about."]

The ACLU wants the prison to be shut down.

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The American Civil Liberties Union of Vermont held a community forum to address allegations regarding misconduct at Vermont's only women's prison.

Policy changes have also been announced after reports of abuse and drug use at the Chittenden County Correctional Facility in South Burlington.

Channel Three's Cat Viglianzoni joins us with more ---

{1211SOT Cat Prison}

[Outcue: :48 "them in prison"]

Mike Smith, the Agency of Human Services Secretary, says the state will roll out a new system for reporting misconduct, have an out-of-state organization conduct future investigations, and implement mandatory sexual harassment training. A full report is due out next week.

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The Agency of Human Services says it's going to take a more active role in the day-to-day operations at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Center in South Burlington.

This comes after an investigation from Seven Days found widespread allegations of sex and drug abuse at the women's prison.

Agency of Human Services Secretary Mike Smith says his office is exploring redoing the system of reporting misconduct so that complaints go to an outside agency.

Other fixes include mandatory sexual harassment training. He tells Channel Three they're also looking at hiring more women and increasing the standards for new hires ---

{1209SOT Mike Smith}

[Outcue: 26 "they'll be fired."]

Corrections Commissioner Mike Touchette and Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility Superintendent Theresa Stone are still on the job.

No criminal charges have been filed. Although, State Police are investigating one correctional officer named Daniel Zorzi.

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VERMONT PRISON INVESTIGATION

Vermont outlining steps in women's prison investigation

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - The Secretary of the Vermont Agency of Human Services says a criminal investigation has been in progress since October at the state's women's prison. Secretary Michael Smith on Friday outlined steps his office is going to take after a newspaper report of sexual misconduct and drug use involving inmates and correctional officers at the South Burlington facility. Smith said that "in the near future," his office would take a more active role in monitoring day-to-day operations at the jail. His office will also set up a mechanism that will allow inmates and correctional officers to make complaints outside the Department of Corrections.

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Governor Phil Scott and Attorney General TJ Donovan will join forces to investigate claims of systemic abuse at Vermont's women's prison following an investigation published Wednesday in Seven Days.

VT Digger's Xander Landen was at yesterday's press conference with the governor. He joins us with more ---

{1205SOT Xander Prison}

[Outcue: 1:01 "as well"]

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SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. (WCAX) State leaders are responding to allegations of misconduct at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility.

Vermont Human Services Secretary Mike Smith says he is investigating allegations of sexual abuse and harassment.

The report detailing misconduct was published by Seven Days.

The story highlights the illegal habits of some officers and the in-house investigations that went into the allegations.

Some of the investigations led to various levels of reprimand, but others were found 'unsubstantiated', meaning officials could not determine what happened.

Secretary Smith says in a statement: "If this is a system issue, there will be system changes. If this is a personnel issue, people will be held fully accountable."

And Chittenden County State's Attorney Sarah George responded on Twitter wondering why the Attorney General's office isn't reviewing these allegations.

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Radio Vermont News

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RUTLAND, Vt. (WCAX) A local prison is back to normal, after two inmates locked themselves in a cell.

This comes just a few weeks after a barricade situation at another corrections center.

Police say two inmates barricaded themselves in a cell at the Marble Valley Correctional Center in Rutland Wednesday and refused to listen to officers.

A special response team jumped into action and we're told everything was resolved without anything getting hurt.

During that time, the other inmates were put on a lockdown.

Two a half weeks ago, the special response team was at the Southern State Correctional Facility in Springfield.

We're told there was an attempted take-over, with inmates fighting and barricading themselves.

An officer was hurt.

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Governor Phil Scott outlined a plan yesterday to close the Woodside Juvenile Rehabilitation Center next year. It's the only secure facility for youthful offenders in the state.

Closing Woodside would save taxpayers close to \$6 million dollars.

Lately, the facility has housed only a handful of children. Yesterday, there were only two juveniles in the center that is equipped to house 30 people.

The idea is controversial since Woodside has about 50 unionized employees.

Steve Howard with the State Employees Association talked to NBC 5. He drew the comparison to the state psychiatric hospital suddenly closing after Irene ---

{1127SOT Steve Howard}

[Outcue: 20 "getting at Woodside now."]

On the other hand, state leaders believe delinquent kids can be cared for through community-based residential programs, or foster placements.

Ultimately, the decision will be made by the Legislature.

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The Vermont Department of Corrections says an inmate assaulted a correctional officer while two other inmates attacked a third inmate during an attempted unit takeover the Springfield prison.

The department says the officers' response on Tuesday morning was swift and professional, bringing a dangerous and escalating situation quickly under control.

It says officers responded to the incident, with the first one using pepper spray to deflect an assault and subdue the alleged attackers.

Officials say corrections staff locked the remaining inmates in their cells and secured those involved in attempted unit takeover.

It says about a half hour later, two inmates barricaded themselves in their cell. Corrections staff were able to resolve the situation.

Vermont State Police will investigate to determine if any criminal charges will be filed.

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Radio Vermont News

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The state of Vermont says a bed bug infestation at the St. Johnsbury prison is all cleaned up.

The Corrections Department says several inmates reported seeing bed bugs and staff confirmed the infestation two weeks ago.

Forty-five inmates temporarily moved to the Springfield prison and another dozen moved to another wing of the St. Johnsbury facility.

The state said yesterday that the bed bugs are gone and all inmates will be returning to St. Johnsbury.

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The Vermont Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union has released a report with a goal of significantly reducing the state's prison population.

Falko Schilling of the Vermont ACLU presented some of the lead ideas on the Dave Gram Show.

(1010SOT Falko Schilling) :46 q: statewide average

The complete report can be found at a-c-l-u-v-t dot com.

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alternative facility.

Although, data does show it may be worth looking into further expansion of the Maplewood Recovery Residence, which is operated by Rutland Mental Health Services.

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B19* - Secure Residential Facility

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Segment:

VOSOT

Talent:

CAX

A recent report from the Vermont Department of Mental Health outlines the need for a new secure residential facility in the state.

Plans are in the works to build a 16-bed facility to replace the one in Middlesex that flooded during Tropical Storm Irene.

The report says the state-run program will be able to perform emergency involuntary procedures within the mental health system. It will also make it easier to discharge patients from Level 1 inpatient beds across the state.

Chittenden County Senator Ginny Lyons tells Channel Three this is long overdue ---

{1227SOT Ginny Lyons}

[Outcue: 22 "what our needs are."]

{MORE VO}

At the moment, the report says there is no need for an interim or

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The state has settled a lawsuit involving a woman who alleges she and her son were kidnapped in New Hampshire earlier this year by a man who escaped a rehab facility, who then brought her to Vermont and sexually assaulted her in front of her son.

Under terms of the agreement, the victim will receive \$300,000 dollars and her son will receive \$100,000 dollars. The state admitted no wrongdoing in reaching the compromise.

Simpson is currently facing criminal charges related to the case in both federal and state courts. He has pleaded not guilty.

Simpson filed a motion last week asking permission to recover additional files from the alleged victim's cellphone.

The legal team claims deleted files will include evidence the two communicated on a dating app.

The defense claims the victim only said the encounter was not consensual after she found out Simpson stole a car.

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new facility costing upwards of four and a half million dollars. They hope to break ground by spring.

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J21* - New Mental Health Facility

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Segment:

VOSOT

Talent:

JS

Vermont mental health officials are moving forward on planning for a new mental health facility to replace the temporary Middlesex facility.

Last legislative session lawmakers called for the closure of and replacement of the Middlesex Secure Residential Facility.

Now, a new report calls for expediency in building the new facility, which is slated to have 16 beds. Right now the Middlesex facility can only hold seven patients and is considered inadequate.

But as the state moves forward on the new facility, State Representative Anne Donahue says lawmakers will need to brace for the price tag.

{1024SOT Anne Donahue}

[Outcue: 18 "come up with it."]

{MORE VO}

Estimates earlier this year had the

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Inspectors found multiple violations of treatment rules at Vermont's Brattleboro Retreat psychiatric hospital this summer and at one point threatened the institution's federal funding.

VT Digger reports that in one instance, patients were improperly allowed access to plastic bags used to line trash cans, and one suicidal patient was found trying to swallow part of one.

In other instances, patients were restrained without permission from doctors being documented.

On July 25th, Vermont officials acting for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid briefly placed the hospital on "immediate jeopardy" status, which could have meant a loss of funding. That status was later lifted.

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A3* - Lamoille Roads Update

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Segment:	VOSOT	Talent:	TG
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Some parts of the state are still recovering from damage caused by the Halloween Storm.

Tommy Gardner of the Stowe Reporter joins us with a look at one structure in Cambridge that weathered the storm and a road in Morristown that is still washed out

{1226SOT Tommy Roads}

[Outcue: 58 "happy about that."]

~~**{MORE VO}**~~

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It's been nearly two months since the Halloween storm did significant damage to parts of our region. The state is seeking federal disaster relief to help pay for the estimated \$5 million dollars in damage.

Dwyer Haney had his home and workshop for his start-up stove business flooded by the storm.

His company is called Cole Forge Stoves. Haney has spent the last two years building prototypes. His stoves can be used for cooking, heating hot water, and heating homes.

Haney had settled into a workspace by his Hinesburg apartment earlier this year until the Halloween storm forced him out.

Haney tells Channel Three he reached out to Generator Makerspace in Burlington, a nonprofit with close to 1,500 members and \$250,000 dollars worth of tools and equipment ---

{1223SOT Dwyer Haney}

[Outcue: 15 "gonna be a great winter."]

Dwyer hopes to start selling his stoves by the summer of 2020.

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Exit 18 into Georgia off I-89 is open once again.

The Halloween storm caused a culvert to fail under the ramp.

VTrans paved the ramp Monday.

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Governor Phil Scott has requested a Major Disaster Declaration for two federal programs for storm damages throughout Vermont caused by wind, rain and flooding from October 31-November 1, 2019.

The request is for assistance from the Public Assistance program, which seeks support for municipal infrastructure repairs, and the Individual Assistance program, which seeks aid for private homeowners and renters.

Vermont officials have identified more than \$5 million in damages to public infrastructure statewide, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has verified that Vermont has proven more than the minimum \$1 million in damages to qualify for a Public Assistance declaration.

Communities in Addison, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans and Washington counties will be included in the declaration request.

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A temporary bridge connecting Williston and South Burlington should be opened to travel by the end of December.

The bridge served as a temporary fix to a rusted-out culvert that failed two years ago. The ground that holds the bridge's support slabs in place was eroded by flooding during the Halloween storm. The bridge serves as a key connection between South Burlington and Williston.

Justin Rabidoux with South Burlington Public Works tells Channel Three that officials want the project to begin as soon as possible ---

{1126SOT Justin Rabidoux}

[Outcue: 13 "remains closed."]

Because the storm was ruled a state emergency, the estimated \$200,000 dollars will be completely funded by the state.

Work is expected to begin December 2nd and be finished by the end of the year.

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Richmond town leaders say a road damaged in the Halloween storm will probably stay closed until spring.

It was originally thought that Dugway Road, which suffered a partial collapse, could reopen in December, but officials say winter conditions are making it tough to fix and crews have to wait until the snow melts.

Residents should use caution as the site is unstable and more of the road could continue to fail.

And officials say to use the Huntington Road end to access both Oldfield Lane and the Aldrich Christmas Tree Farm.

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Vermont Emergency Management officials are asking the federal government to assess private property damaged during the Halloween Storm to see if the state can qualify for a disaster declaration.

Assessments will be in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Lamoille, and Orleans Counties. As of yesterday, more than 320 Vermont homeowners and renters reported damage to their properties.

Factors that decide if a state qualifies for a disaster declaration include the state's financial capacity to help survivors, the total cost of uninsured and underinsured private losses, the impact to community infrastructure, the population profile of the disaster area, unemployment and casualties.

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Weeks after a Halloween storm battered parts of our region, plenty of people's homes remain in bad shape from the damage.

Patricia Gray's Underhill basement was left flooded, and because of her multiple sclerosis, heavy lifting isn't easy.

Luckily, Gray reported her damages, and Saturday morning, she tells NBC 5 was notified that volunteers would come by to assist with her clean up. They replaced her washer and dryer units ---

{1118SOT Patricia Gray} [Outcue: 8 "get emotional and tear up."]

More than 60 volunteers with the Vermont Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters traveled to various homes in Chittenden, Addison, Franklin, and Orleans counties.

People are encouraged to report their home damages by calling 211 and requesting volunteer help.

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Vermont is set to receive \$500,000 dollars from the federal government to help repair roadways damaged during the Halloween Storm.

The U.S. Department of Transportation announced that these emergency funds will go toward any damage sustained on the federal highway system. State officials estimate that repairs on heavily damaged infrastructure may take two years to complete.

The state is still awaiting a decision from FEMA that could provide additional recovery funding .

It's estimated the storm caused more than \$5 million dollars in damages across Vermont.

New Text Document

VTrans is reminding drivers that roadways affected by the widespread damage of the Halloween storm are still under repair.

They're urging motorists to exercise extra caution traveling damaged roadways, as snow-covered roads present an additional hazard to those areas affected. Shoulder washouts create a narrower lane, decreasing the distance between the travel lane and the edge of the road.

Speaking of roads --- There is an overnight parking ban in Burlington until 7:00 this morning --- with the exception of downtown.

In the downtown zone, the ban is in effect until 6 AM.

Any vehicles remaining on the street during the parking ban may be issued a \$125.00 parking ticket by Burlington Police Parking Enforcement and towed to another location.

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Radio Vermont News

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As crews continue to cleanup from last week's Halloween storm, Vermont officials continue looking into a massive Verizon cell phone outage that wiped out cell service to many in the Burlington area, including some first responders.

During the storm, one of the Burlington Fire Department's lines of communication was completely cut off. A bridge washout took down a Verizon fiber line, knocking out service to 26 cell towers and leaving all Verizon customers in the dark for 3.5 hours.

Department of Public Service director Clay Purvis says Verizon did not notify the state's E-911 Board, which would then tell first responders across the state about the outage.

Purvis also says this raises questions about redundancies within cell companies' systems, and the state's lack of jurisdiction over their operations.

Verizon however will not confirm whether they alerted the E-911 board of the outage.

Vermont's E-911 Board is in the process of rewriting the rules for communications companies, clarifying the threshold for when they need to notify the state of an outage.

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Utility companies have not yet estimated repair costs stemming from outages that impacted more than 100,000 Vermonters.

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State emergency management officials provided an update ~~yesterday~~ on damage reported so far from flooding and high winds across Vermont starting Halloween night.

Federal inspectors continue to tour areas of the state to quantify damage to public infrastructure. They plan to return next week.

That damage may fall into the \$6 to \$10 million dollar range.

Governor Phil Scott said there is no doubt Vermont will apply for a major disaster declaration from FEMA.

State emergency management director Eric ~~Bornemann~~ urged all Vermont homeowners to report property and home damage by calling the state helpline - 211 ---

{1108SOT Erica Bornemann}

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State health experts are warning homeowners about potential dangers left behind from the flood waters of last week's storm.

If your home still has standing water and you can't safely turn off the power, call an electrician. Electrical systems in flooded homes now need to be checked out.

Also, test your fire and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they're still working and look out for mold or sewage that may have built up. Anything that's been wet more than 48-hours and cannot be thoroughly cleaned and dried needs to be removed. Also, wash surfaces and items with soap and water.

Private drinking wells need to be tested. Don't eat or drink anything that touched floodwater and throw out anything you're unsure about.

If you need help, call 211. Staff will help assess the damage to your home and give some tips on how to clean up.

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BFA-St. Albans is still dealing with the effects of last week's flooding.

The school sent out an email to parents saying that water leaked into a classroom. When workers removed the wallboard around the pipe, they say microbial growth was found.

The school says an environmental consulting firm was called in. The firm found the rest of the school was safe. They have closed the affected classrooms.

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A major commuter route is closed because of damage from Halloween's storm.

Public Works closed Kimball Avenue bridge in South Burlington on Friday after the storm.

The road is also closed at the intersection with Gregory and Community Drives.

Kimball Avenue connects South Burlington and Williston, and it's used by thousands of people each day.

WCAX reached out to find out when the bridge will be fixed, but we're waiting to hear back.

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The tally of damage from the Halloween Storm in Vermont continues to rise. Vermont officials estimate the damage to public infrastructure at upwards of \$4 million dollars.

That's well beyond the million-dollar threshold required for federal aid. But the state is also pushing to see if damage to private property can qualify.

FEMA teams hit the ground yesterday to take a look at the damage around the state. They anticipate Vermont will qualify for disaster relief to pay for damaged public property.

But state emergency management director Erica Bornemann tells Channel Three that public roads aren't the only thing the state is hoping to secure money for ---

{1106SOT Erica Bornemann} [Outcue: 23 "to write the story."]

Even if the state does NOT get money for homeowners from FEMA, Bornemann says they remain committed to helping people rebuild.

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency is in Vermont assessing flood and wind damage from last week's Halloween storm.

Vermont Emergency Management Director Erica Bornemann requested the preliminary damage assessment to determine if the state qualifies for a federal major disaster declaration.

FEMA and state teams are visiting communities in Addison, Chittenden, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, and Washington counties.

Vermont officials say they've initially identified more than \$3 million dollars in damages to public infrastructure around the state.

To qualify for a declaration, Vermont must show at least \$1 million dollars in response and public infrastructure recovery costs.

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The bridge that Governor Phil Scott says suffered some of the most damage he's seen from last week's Halloween storm is back open.

The bridge on Route 105 in Richford was deemed unsafe for travel because of flooding.

But crews completed the installation of the temporary bridge on Tuesday.

There could be minor delays today as alternating one-way traffic will be in place for final paving.

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There still around a hundred homes and businesses in Vermont that are without power following last week's Halloween storm.

Utility crews worked the entire weekend to restore power to thousands who lost it during the storm that brought heavy flooding and high winds. Most of the remaining outages are in Orange, Washington and Caledonia Counties.

Governor Phil Scott toured damaged areas over the weekend and said the damage estimate was at around one and a half million dollars and growing.

Twelve towns have reported major impacts from the storm, and more communities are likely to be added to the list as towns assess the damage.

A preliminary damage assessment from FEMA is expected to begin today.

Vermont officials are also encouraging homeowners to report any damage to 2-1-1. They say this will allow the state to track damage and determine if there is sufficient damage statewide to seek aid for homeowners.

The National Weather Service said there's a possibility of accumulating snow Thursday into Friday.

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Thousands of Verizon customers lost cell service in the Burlington area Friday --- including emergency responders. Now, the state is looking into whether Verizon violated FCC rules by not reporting the outage.

During the Halloween storm, a fiber cable serving 26 cell towers in the Burlington area was somehow severed and service was knocked out from 3 to 6:15 p.m on Friday.

Vermont's Enhanced 911 Board learned about the outage through the media. And the Public Service Department raised concerns because it got calls from first responders who couldn't communicate during the outage.

Barb Neal of the E-911 Board tells Channel Three they're trying to determine if those 26 towers served enough customers to meet the threshold to trigger a notification.

{1105SOT Barb Neal}

[Outcue: 21 "in this event."]

{MORE VO}

It's unclear if there will be any penalties if Verizon failed to meet FCC requirements.

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More than 2,000 chickens and turkeys are dead after drowning at a Richmond farm in last week's storm. The owners at Maple Wind farm say they woke up on Friday to find their birds in four-feet of water.

Maple Wind Farm Owners Bruce Hennesey and Beth Whiting tell Channel Three they considered the difficult process of moving the birds to higher ground. But given the forecast of 1-2 inches of rain, they decided it wouldn't be necessary.

And in a now-deleted Facebook post about the incident, hundreds of people criticized the way the animals were handled.

Here's Beth Whiting --- {1105SOT Beth Whiting}

[Outcue: 32 "to be a farmer."]

Hennesey and Whiting say they have filed a claim with their insurance company. They hope to get back at least a portion of the estimated \$60,000 dollars they lost.

They also hope to still be able to deliver Thanksgiving turkeys to families who ordered them.

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Green Mountain Power (GMP) restored power to more than 115,000 customers after a damaging storm slammed the northeast on Halloween. A field force of 550 GMP line workers, out of state line workers, tree crews and assessors worked around the clock since Thursday night repairing severe line and pole damage and got the last customers back on Monday.

GMP also is increasing its outreach to its most affected communities leading up to filing a climate resiliency plan in January. Last year GMP proactively requested and received approval to file this plan. It will provide a comprehensive roadmap to serve customers now and into the future to make the grid both stronger and more flexible, in the face of these increasing storms. The plan includes accelerating the pace of transmission and distribution hardening projects and targeted undergrounding, moving infrastructure out of flood plains, plus working with communities on microgrid and storage projects, and boosting storage opportunities for customers. GMP's residential storage programs have already proven successful at helping customers ride through extended outages safely and comfortably, including during this storm, while also helping cut costs for all customers outside of storms by driving down demand on the grid during peak times.

More than 1,100 customers got backup power during this storm from their Powerwalls through GMP's pilot programs including Bring Your Own Device (BYOD). The home batteries provided more than 10,500 hours of backup, enough to power a single home for more than a year. The average backup was nine hours, while the longest was 82 hours.

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Upwards of 4.7 million gallons of untreated stormwater flowed into Vermont's streams, rivers, and lakes after the Halloween storm. But state officials say many treatment facilities performed admirably in the adverse conditions.

By the numbers, the Halloween storm caused 33 combined sewer overflows in eight different municipalities, and nearly five million gallons of untreated water went into the environment.

Department of Environmental Conservation Commissioner Emily Boedecker (BOW-decker) tells Channel Three for a storm of such intensity, their infrastructure actually performed well ---

{1105SOT Emily Boedecker} [Outcue: 9 ""

Most of the untreated water released was just rainwater.

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**Hundreds still without power in northern New England
Crews continue to restore power in Vermont and Maine
Eds: APNewsNow.**

By The Associated Press

Several thousand homes and businesses in Maine and Vermont are still in the dark following last week's wind storm.

Central Maine Power reports about 1,100 customers are without power and Emera Maine is reporting about 350 outages. In Vermont, about 1,000 customers remain without power.

The storm that started late on Halloween brought gusts topping 70 mph to the region.

Utilities expect line workers to complete the mop-up well ahead of possible messy weather later in the week. The National Weather Service said there's a possibility of accumulating snow Thursday into Friday.

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Radio Vermont News

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Vermont Emergency Management is encouraging the public to report flood or wind home damage to Vermont 2-1-1. This will allow the state to track damage and determine if there is enough damage statewide to seek aid for homeowners. 2-1-1 can also provide information on resources available right now to meet current needs.

The Vermont Emergency Operations Center in Waterbury is open to coordinate recovery and damage assessments. A formal damage assessment by FEMA will take place on Tuesday. The schedule of where and when assessment teams will be in specific areas is to be determined.

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Radio Vermont News

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Vermont's Agriculture Secretary says he believes a Richmond farm did all it could to save poultry killed during the Halloween storm. Maple Wind Farm in Richmond made the post Friday night on Facebook, saying they lost 2,000 broiler chickens and 100 turkeys during the storm. As of Sunday night, the post has over 4,000 comments and almost 2,000 shares.

According to the post, the birds were ready for harvest next week. Some of the comments accused the farm of neglecting to properly secure the animals before the storm. Others shared their condolences over the loss.

Vermont Agriculture Secretary Anson Tebbetts said he doesn't want to pass judgment on the farmers. He says he believes they did the best they could as the flood waters rose so quickly.

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The Vermont Department of Emergency Management has set up emergency shelters for those without power ~~from~~ after high winds. Tom McLeod reports.

(highwind1102)

Run Time: 40 Seconds

Out Cue: Radio Vermont News

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Water has gone down in many areas around Burlington but a lot of residents are still knee-deep.

The heavy rains caused overflows of untreated stormwater into many Vermont rivers and lakes.

State environmental officials say there were at least 23 combined storm overflows at treatment plants.

They have not said the total number of gallons yet, but with more than three inches of rain in one night, they call this a "significant event."

The overflows occur by design to prevent stormwater from flooding sewage plants or backing up into homes.

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Cleaning up after Halloween storms that caused flooding, downed trees and damaged homes. Eric Osgood is Emergency Management Director in the town of Johnson.

(osgood1102)

Outcue: major flooding

Highway foreman Brian Krause...

(krause1102)

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As flood waters rose in Downtown Johnson
Friday Morning a fire broke out at an
apartment building.

Tom McLeod has more.

(johnsonfloodatom1102)

Run Time: 55 Seconds

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Mother Nature is choosing to be scary this Halloween, with heavy rain expected just in time for trick-or-treating.

Burlington Mayor Miro Weinberger says Halloween scheduling is not something the city's going to touch.

{1030SOT Miro Weinberger TWO}

[Outcue: 12 "on their own."]

At least 12 New Hampshire towns have postponed Halloween because of the weather.

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Key Vermont lawmakers say the state needs to move to a mandatory goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions 25% by 2025.

VT Digger reports that the Global Warming Solutions Act is likely to require the state Agency of Natural Resources to produce rules outlining emissions reductions steps.

House Energy and Technology Committee chair Tim Briglin says Vermont currently doesn't have adequate plans to reach emissions reductions goals set previously.

Deputy Natural Resources Secretary Peter Walke says achieving a 25 percent reduction in emissions by 2025 would be "really challenging."

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The 12th Annual Vermont Energy & Climate Action Network Conference took place Saturday at Lake Morey.

The Network invited all energy committees, leaders, businesses, organizations, state energy partners and Vermonters who want to help solve the climate crisis to attend.

The day was spent collaborating with each other and discussing actions to take to help solve the situation at hand.

Senator Tim Ashe was one of the day's speakers.

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Vermont lawmakers are working on a statewide mandate for reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.

Democratic Representative Tim Briglin says it is time for the state to "find the accountability that's going to move us down the path of reduction."

Vermont Public Radio reports that the state passed carbon reduction goals in 2008, but there is no legal requirement to meet them.

Briglin says state legislators in Maine, Massachusetts and New York have passed laws that mandate reduction and the results have been "pretty impressive."

Briglin says that Vermont will likely use a centralized council of state agencies and climate experts to develop rules and regulations to reach the states emission goals.

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The state of Vermont is among almost two dozen states and two cities trying to block the Trump administration from ending California's authority to set greenhouse gas emission and fuel economy standards for cars and trucks.

The group of attorneys general says the EPA is attempting to revoke portions of a waiver it previously granted to California, allowing the state to set its own fuel-efficiency standards on vehicles.

Vermont Attorney General T.J. Donovan tells Channel Three the standards are a key part of the state's efforts to limit greenhouse gas emissions and protect the environment ---

{1118SOT TJ Donovan} [Outcue: 23 "government is designed."]

Twenty-two states and Washington, D.C., are part of the lawsuit.

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A multi-state initiative that would lower emissions in Vermont's transportation sector could transform the way gas and diesel is sold in the state.

Vermont is one of twelve Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states that can negotiate into the cap-and-invest Transportation and Climate Initiative, which will be proposed in December.

The way it works is that a carbon emissions cap would start at the state's current emissions level and would decline over time. The carbon allowances for sale would be capped, and suppliers would then buy the allowances from the state up to the cap.

The proceeds would be invested in initiatives to reduce emissions in Vermont.

Senate President Pro Tem Tim Ashe joined the Dave Gram Show to talk about the initiative ---

{1028SOT Tim Ashe} [Outcue: 36 "a lot of large partners."]

If the proposal is accepted by Governor Phil Scott, an anticipated start date for the program would be 2022.

The entire segment with Tim Ashe and Vermont Fuel Dealers' Association executive director Matt Cota, is on the Dave Gram Show Podcast at WDEV Radio dot com.

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University of Vermont students are demanding the Board of Trustees stop investing in fossil fuel companies.

On Saturday morning, students from Organize UVM and UVM Progressives confronted the board at their meeting. Three students spoke to trustees directly. They urged them to divest all of the university's funds given to fossil fuel companies and invest in renewable energy.

Vice President of Finance and Treasury Richard Cate says only 5% of the university's \$538 million dollar dowments is currently invested in fossil fuels.

Those who showed up to protest think 5% is too much.

Burlington City Councilor and UVM alum Jack Hanson tells Channel Three the effort to push the Board toward divestment has been going on for ~~almost a decade~~ *almost a years,*

{1028SOT Jack Hanson} [Outcue: 12 "get this done."]

The Board says it will not make an immediate decision on divestment but they're willing to keep listening to students and their concerns.

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A local group wants to reduce carbon in the atmosphere and reverse climate change in Vermont.

350Vermont has launched its "Put Carbon in the Ground" campaign.

The idea is to better harness plants that take carbon from the air and put it into the soil through roots.

The group's goal is to transition to climate-friendly agricultural and land management practices.

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Hundreds of North American birds are vulnerable to extinction from climate change according to a new report from the Audubon Society.

The report finds that upwards of 389 species are at risk -- nearly two-out-of-every three species.

Naturalist Bridget Butler joined the Dave Gram Show to talk about why it's important to care about this issue ---

{1014SOT Bridget Butler} [Outcue: 42 "all these other little things."]

In addition to protecting habitats, the Audubon Society is working toward new policies to prevent further effects of climate change. The group says keeping global warming in check can benefit nearly 76-percent of affected bird species.

You can enter your Zip Code in the Audubon's Birds and Climate Visualizer to see what birds are in danger in your area and get tips about how to help.

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Burlington Mayor Miro Weinberger and environmental groups have proposed a statewide carbon pollution fee.

The proposal is based on the City's Net Zero Energy Roadmap, which was released last month. A new study by Synapse Energy Economics released Friday shows that putting a new fee on heating and transportation fuels would lower emissions by more than 20-percent by 2040 and that it would have a positive effect on the state's economy and jobs.

Mayor Weinberger says that this fee differs from the typical carbon tax in that the revenues wouldn't go to the state. Instead, the money would be distributed back to people and businesses as rebates.

{1014SOT Miro Weinberger} [Outcue: 12 "very heavily taxed."]

The mayor's office says the mechanics and timeline of the rebate would have to be worked out, but rebates would come to residents on a per-capita basis and to businesses based on how many employees they have.

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Mayor proposes statewide carbon pollution fee
The mayor of Burlington, Vermont, joined by a coalition of environmental and business leaders, is proposing a statewide revenue-neutral carbon pollution fee that they say would help cut emissions by 37 percent by 2040

Eds: APNewsNow.

BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) - The mayor of Burlington, Vermont, joined by a coalition of environmental and business leaders, is proposing a statewide revenue-neutral carbon pollution fee that they say would help cut emissions by 37 percent by 2040.

Mayor Miro Weinberger's proposal was shared Friday at the Renewable Energy Vermont Conference near Burlington.

Under the proposal, virtually all of the revenue collected would be rebated back out to Vermont households and businesses.

The announcement came as two towns, Norwich and Hartford, said they hope to increase awareness of climate change and encourage more people to take action by declaring climate emergencies.

The Valley news reports the Norwich Selectboard voted Wednesday to adopt a resolution

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At its September 23rd meeting, the Burlington City Council voted 11-1 in favor of a resolution that declares a climate emergency and adopts net-zero energy goals for the city.

The resolution declares the climate emergency is posing a threat to human health, biodiversity and the environment. It calls on Mayor Miro Weinberger to work with all city departments and give progress reports every six months so that the city can keep tabs on progress.

In September, the Burlington Electric Department published a Net Zero Energy Roadmap detailing what needs to be done to reduce and eventually eliminate fossil fuel use by 2030.

{1010SOT Jack Hanson} [Outcue: 27 "and ongoing conversations."]

The council is requesting the first progress report on January 6th of next year.

New Text Document

Vermonters are keeping the pressure on lawmakers to pass sufficient bills on climate change in 2020.

On Wednesday night, five lawmakers and the Vermont Climate Solutions Caucus held a public discussion on climate policy to hear what type of bills Vermonters want to see passed. The organization is organizing a series of climate policy discussions across the state hoping to engage more Vermonters in the conversation.

They talked about five bills: the Carbon Tax, the Global Warming Solutions Act, the Renewable Electricity Standard, the Energy Efficiency Utility Modernization, and the Transportation and Climate Initiative Authorization. Channel 3 News reports The panel of lawmakers said these are bold pieces of legislation that they feel confident about.