

# **QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT**

# FOR

# STATION KMXB-FM & HD-2

**3rd Quarter, 2022** (Jul 1<sup>st</sup> – Sept 30<sup>th</sup>)

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# Issues of Concern to Los Angeles, CA Addressed in Responsive Programming in the 3rd Quarter, 2022

	<u>Subject</u>	<b>Description of Issue of Concern</b>
1.	Health	Information regarding the latest breakthroughs in health care is needed, including new discoveries, programs and services. Disaster preparedness to preserve one's health.
2.	Economy	Our local economy has been slow to recover from the recent recession. Information on services to assist the public is needed.
3.	Education & Child Care	Whether being abused, needing special education, fighting truancy or needing college prep, children & parents need assistance.
4.	Local Community Services	Mentioned are free or low-cost community services available to the public to assist with spousal abuse, child abuse, animal abuse or even the arts. Information on free programs is featured.
5.	Crime & Drugs	Crime and drug abuse remain a key issue in our area.
6.	Public Safety	The safety of the public is priority and information on
7.	Animals & Wildlife	how to prevent danger and maintain caution. As wildlife is constantly affected by the perils of man and nature, OpenLine helps to provide the means of animal protection and adoption information needed to sustain the ecosystem and its diverse chain of useful inhabitants.
8.	Politics	Highlighting propositions, political issues, and presidential candidates during this year's Elections.
9.	Environment	From our coastal areas to our forests, the environment needs our help to preserve and restore it.

# KNX-FM HD2 (Channel Q) Programs That Address Community Issues

# (Regularly Scheduled Public Affairs Programs) 3rd Quarter, 2022

# Public Affairs ProgramSchedule and Description

1. Open Line

Sundays, 6-7am. Hosted by Tami Heide, this program features interviews with experts on community issues, along with comments from the listeners.

### **ISSUE:** Health

*Open Line* Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Sonja Lyubomirsky

A new report shows the world is seeing a happiness deficit after more than two years of pandemic. How can the trend be reversed? Will we ever recover? KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Sonja Lyubomirsky, professor of psychology at UC Riverside and author of the bestseller The How of Happiness and The Myths of Happiness

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Jeffrey Klausner

Covid cases in LA County and California show no signs of a big decline. LA County is moving closer to metrics that would lead health officials here to re-impose indoor mask mask mandates. This comes as multiple omicron variants spread rapidly. KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Jeffrey Klausner, epidemiologist & clinical professor of preventative medicine at USC Keck School of Medicine

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/17/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Robert Kim-Farley

What are public health officers to do with surging covid infections and americans who very clearly don't want to go back to masking, lockdowns or most covid precautions? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Robert Kim-Farley, professor of epidemiology & community health sciences at UCLA; he previously served as director of communicable disease control & prevention at the L.A. County Public Health Department

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/17/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Christine Moutier

Audacy's Mental Health Awareness campaign "I'm Listening" includes an interview with renowned mental health expert Dr. Christine Moutier -- who has been a part of our I'm Listening family for years -- in conversation with Riggs, morning host at 103.7 KISS-FM in Milwaukee. Riggs is an accomplished mental health expert in his own right. He's been a trusted voice in the space, as well as a volunteer, activist and entrepreneur -- and uses both his personal and Audacy platforms to amplify the message. A new national mental health number, 988, launched this weekend.

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Jeffrey Klausner

The worrisome ba.2.75 subvariant of omicron has been found in Los Angeles County. Scientists are exploring whether the emergence of ba.2.75 could prolong or exacerbate the existing surge fueled by ba.5. Can people get ba.5 then ba.2.75 soon after? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Jeffrey Klausner, epidemiologist & clinical professor of preventative medicine at USC Keck School of Medicine

### **Open Line**

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Andrew Noymer

New coronavirus infections in parts of California may be surging even higher than winter's omicron wave, potentially explaining why so many people seem to be infected simultaneously. Is there anything now we can do to slow this down or are we all just going to get it? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Andrew Noymer, professor of population health & disease prevention at UC Irvine

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jefferson Graham

Imagine walking around wearing special glasses that slightly alter your perception of reality? No drugs or Dr. Tim Leary involved here. It's technology. Google is now publicly testing its augmented reality glasses. You won't be able to take pictures with them though. Google is focusing entirely on how the glasses can train their ai to recognize the world better. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Jefferson Graham, tech blogger

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. William Schaffner

COVID cases are surging and Monkeypox is growing each day. Now, we're hearing about a polio case in the U.S. for the first time in about a decade. What's going on here? Is public health failing us? Or is there nothing we can really do? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. William Schaffner, professor of preventative medicine & infectious diseases at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine; he formally worked as an epidemic intelligence officer at the CDC

### **Open Line**

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Leigh Richardson

A California OBGYN proposes the creation of a "floating" abortion clinic, on a ship in the middle of the Gulf of Mexico, as a way to provide reproductive services to women living in republican gulf states rushing to ban abortions. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Meg Autry, obstetrician/gynecologist at the UCSF/Mount Zion Women's Health Center

*Open Line* Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 44 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. David Lassen

Surgeons move one step closer to using animal organs for transplants into humans, with an experimental surgery transplanting a pig heart into a brain-dead human patient. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Dr. David Lassen, chief medical officer at the United Network for Organ Sharing

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Dean Blumberg

Are we getting closer to the end of the pandemic? The United States seems to have hit a covid-19 plateau, with more than 40,000 people hospitalized and more than 400 deaths a day consistently over the past month or so. It's a dramatic improvement from this winter. Coronavirus deaths fell by 9% worldwide in the last week while new cases remained relatively stable. KNX's Charles Feldman and Brian Ping speak with Dr. Dean Blumberg, pediatrician & infectious disease specialist at UC Davis Health

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Charles Smith

A new study finds marijuana and hallucinogen use in the past year reported by young adults 19 to 30 years old increased significantly in 2021 compared to five and 10 years ago. It's reaching historic highs in this age group since 1988. Alcohol remains the most used substance among adults in the study. Binge drinking rebounded in 2021 from a historic low in 2020, during the early stages of covid-19 pandemic. Why the increase in these numbers? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Charles Smith, Addictionologist with American Addiction Centers

*Open Line* Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Tanya Dall

U.S. health officials are changing up recommendations about covid-19 boosters. They're now saying instead of getting a shot every several months, just once a year will do. That's like with a flu shot. Although the elderly and those with weak immune systems may need more shots. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Tanya Dall, ER doctor with Providence Mission Hospital in Mission Viejo

# **Open** Line

Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Richard Dang

The CDC signs off on the revamped covid-19 booster shots that can battle omicron. So when can we expect to get them and where? Who should get them? Will we have to wait long? KNX's Rob Archer and Charles Feldman speak with Dr. Richard Dang, President of the California Pharmacists Association and professor at the USC School of Pharmacy

# **Open** Line

Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Tameem Alhayya

If Amazon, CVS and other major corporations start to gain traction in multiple aspects of health care what happens to private practice doctors? Do they get swallowed up by these giants and work for them? What about patients? How could they be impacted by all this? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Tameem Alhayya, chief of medicine at Beverly Hospital in Montebello

*Open Line* Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Lara Khouri

The pandemic and the shutdowns have taken a toll on people across LA County. A children's hospital la survey finds almost half of all adult Californians and more than a quarter of teens in the county reported experiencing anxiety or depression last year due to impacts from the pandemic. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Lara Khouri, Executive Vice President and Chief Strategy and Transformation Officer for Children's Hospital LA

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Jeffrey Klausner

A person from La County is the first confirmed death due to monkeypox in the country. The L.A. County Department of Public Health noted that the local resident "was severely immunocompromised and had been hospitalized." KNX's Chris Sedens and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Jeffrey Klausner, epidemiologist & clinical professor of preventative medicine at USC Keck School of Medicine

#### **Open Line**

Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Moe Gelbart

Another example of the growing mental health crisis in the country. An influential group of medical experts for the first time is recommending that adults under age 65 get screened for anxiety. The draft recommendations, from the U.S. preventive services task force, are designed to help primary care clinicians identify early signs of anxiety during routine care, using questionnaires and other screening tools. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Dr. Moe Gelbart, director of behavioral health at Torrance Memorial Medical Center

*Open Line* Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Judy Pa

A vitamin a day could keep Alzheimer's away. A new study finds the ability to slow cognitive decline by almost two years with a multivitamin is significant. The exact connection between multivitamins and brain health is unclear, but research says they could replace micronutrients and minerals needed for brain function that are depleted with aging. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Judy Pa, spokesperson for the Alzheimer's Association California Southland Chapter; professor of Neurosciences and Co-Director of the Alzheimer's Disease Cooperative Study at UC San Diego

### **ISSUE:** Economy

**Open Line** 

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Chris Thornberg

Lots of people in California will be getting some extra money. 23 million of us will receive checks of up to \$1,050 under a budget deal reached by Governor Newsom and state lawmakers. But will all this extra money come with a price? Could this spark even more inflation problems since people have more cash? KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Chris Thornberg, founding partner of L.A.-based Beacon Economics

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dan Sumner

The legal cannabis industry in California has been struggling to make a profit, blaming very high taxes and constricting regulations. But help is on the way in the form of tax cuts and other reforms. Will this be enough to save the legal side and diminish the influence of the illegal side? KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Dan Sumner, agricultural economist with the Cannabis and Hemp Research Center at UC Davis; author of *Can Legal Weed Win?: The Blunt Realities of Cannabis Economics* 

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Shawn Robbins

People are headed back to movie theaters. Revenue at the domestic box office in June almost crossed \$1 billion. That's the most since the pandemic started. This was helped by the release of some popular movies such as top gun: maverick. KNX's Mike Simpson and Rob Archer speak with Shawn Robbins, chief analyst at Box Office Pro

# **ISSUE:** Economy (cont.)

*Open Line* Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Kent Wong

Momentum is building to unionize workers at Korean-owned restaurants in Koreatown and others parts of la. Victory at Genwa restaurants have helped galvanize workers. But it's not easy. Cultural divides amongst workers can hinder action at individual restaurants. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Kent Wong, director of the UCLA Labor Center

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Oscar Wei

Some initial signs out there that some of California's sizzling hot real estate markets are starting to cool down, led by the notoriously expensive Bay Area. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Oscar Wei, Deputy Chief Economist at the California Association of Realtors

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Heide Chung

Netflix continues to manage the uncertain world of streaming services. Bad news for the company is that it lost 970,000 subscribers last quarter. Good news is that it expected to lose around two million. Bad news is that ads are coming early next year. Good news is that that will be for a lower-cost tier. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Heidi Chung, media analyst and correspondent for Variety Intelligence Platform; lead author of Variety's upcoming report on how inflation is impacting entertainment

### **ISSUE:** Economy

*Open Line* Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Tracy Hernandez

An alliance of Los Angeles County business groups has called on health officials to abandon plans for a universal covid-19 indoor mask mandate, saying the move would be "heavy-handed" and a burden on businesses that will be forced to enforce the rule. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Tracy Hernandez, CEO of the Los Angeles County Business Federation

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Gary Painter

People are leaving LA. A new report from Redfin finds la is second out of major metro areas when it comes to people leaving. But where are they going? It turns out places like San Diego and Phoenix. Redfin says remote work options are making it easier for people to leave. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Gary Painter, professor at USC's Sol Price School of Public Policy; Director of the Sol Price Center for Social Innovation and the Homelessness Policy Research Institute

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Ivan Drury

California put its rule into effect this week that would ban the sale of gas-powered cars by 2035. The goal is to fight climate change and steer the state toward a future with electric vehicles dominating the roads. However, is this goal really achievable? Electric vehicles are still on the expensive side. Then, there are things like infrastructure and inflation. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Ivan Drury, senior manager of insights for Edmunds.com

### **ISSUE:** Economy

*Open Line* Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dave Skaein

Is it too expensive now to own a car? The average cost to own and operate a new car in 2022 has soared about 11% since last year to \$10,728 per year, according to AAAs annual "your driving costs" report. The report factors in costs such as fuel, depreciation, insurance and maintenance. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Dave Skaein, Approved Auto Repair Manager at Automobile Club of Southern California

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 8 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Brandon Dalaly

A Tesla fanatic will never lose his keys again. Brandon Dalaly spent \$400 to have them permanently implanted in his hand. He shared a video on social media this week showing him having a chip implanted in his right hand and then using the device to unlock his vehicle. He even has another implant that stores keys to his coronavirus vaccination card, his keys to his house, his contact card and other information. He's part of a beta group of about 100 people who are testing the chips before they are released to the public. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Brandon Dalaly, digital marketing professional and Tesla fan with key implanted

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Paul McDonald

Lots of people who work from home enjoy it. Companies found it helped them lower costs and boosted productivity. Now, some businesses say work-at-home employees should take pay cuts. In Britain, the law firm Stephenson Harwood recently announced that employees could work full time from home on the condition that they take a 20% pay cut. But with demand still high for quality workers, is this a good idea? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Paul McDonald, senior executive director at employment firm Robert Half

### **ISSUE:** Economy

*Open Line* Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Joe Brancatelli

More people are complaining about airlines. Air traveler complaints in June were up 270% from pre-pandemic levels, according to new U.S. department of transportation data. This comes as airlines have canceled thousands of flights and have dealt with staffing and pilot shortages. The feds have been on the airlines to fix their problems. Are they? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Joe Brancatelli, business travel & airline industry analyst; founder & editor of the business traveler advisory site JoeSentMe.com

# **Open** Line

Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michael Reich

Governor Newsom has signed a bill giving more than a half-million fast food workers more power and protections. The landmark law creates a 10-member fast food council empowered to set minimum standards for wages, hours and working conditions in california. Restaurant owners though say this will drive up food costs for customers. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Michael Reich, economics professor; Chair of the Center on Wage and Employment Dynamics at the Institute for Research on Labor and Employment at UC Berkeley.

### **ISSUE: Education & Child Care**

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Rob Gent

Kids are headed back to school soon which could raise anxiety levels. Mental health officials have been seeing more pre-teens lately than in the past. How can kids cope with returning to school and the anxieties and stresses that go with it? What are the warning signs for parents? KNX's Charles Feldman and Brian Ping speak with Rob Gent, Chief Clinical Officer of Embark Behavioral Health

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Elmer Roldan & Tyrone Howard

Some education experts say they're worried incoming college freshmen aren't prepared for college-level work because of the Covid disruptions to learning. Some students say they didn't really learn much of anything once school shut down. Research shows that students who start college a step behind are less likely to graduate. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Elmer Roldan, executive director of Communities in Schools Los Angeles and Tyrone Howard, education professor and director of the UCLA Pritzker Center for Strengthening Children and Families

# **ISSUE:** Education & Child Care (cont.)

*Open Line* Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jackie Goldberg

At least 20,000 LAUSD kids didn't show up for the first day of classes, which is actually an improvement on last year--but still shows how many kids have still not found their post-pandemic footing, and how much work LAUSD has yet to do. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Jackie Goldberg, member of the LAUSD Board of Education District 5

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Sarah Brown & Jim Piazza

At least half-a-dozen USC fraternities have elected to disaffiliate themselves with the university rather than face discipline or stricter standards for conduct & morality KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Sarah Brown, reporter at The Chronicle of Higher Education, where she covers issues like Title IX and the handling of sexual assault allegations on campuses and Jim Piazza, his son Tim died as a result of hazing at the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Penn State in 2017

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Martin Van Der Werf

Attending college is getting more and more expensive every year. Younger grads are saddled with far more debt than their parents and older siblings. The obvious reason is that tuition and other costs associated with college are higher now. But why the rapid rise over the years? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Martin Van Der Werf, Director of Editorial and Education Policy at Georgetown University's Center on Education and the Workforce

### **ISSUE:** Education & Child Care (cont.)

#### **Open** Line

Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Daniel Durbin

UCLA and USC athletics will make bank now. The big ten has announced its new, seven-year media rights deal with Fox, NBC and CBS that is believed to be the richest ever struck with a college sports conference. The conference's soon-to-be 16 member universities eventually will share more than \$1 billion in revenue per year. So what does this mean for the two LA schools? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Daniel Durbin, professor of communication and director of the Institute of Sports, Media and Society at USC Annenberg

### **Open Line**

Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Bethany Cook

Would you let a teacher or principal spank your kid? A school district in Missouri decided to bring back spanking as a form of discipline for students — if their parents agree — despite warnings from many public health experts that the practice is detrimental to students. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Bethany Cook, psychologist and expert on parental guidance and children's mental health

#### **Open Line**

Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michael Itzkowitz

The U.S. News & World Report college rankings are out. Good news for UCLA. It's tied for the highest-ranking public school in the country. However, while this U.S. news ranking carries a lot of weight and clout, it does have its critics. It faces questions about the data used and methods used to sort colleges and universities. Are prospective students paying attention to these rankings? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Michael Itzkowitz, analyst for the center-left think tank Third Way; former director of the College Scorecard under President Obama

### ISSUE: Local & Community Services

# **Open Line**

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 17 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Julianna Serrano

Tami has a California Conversation with Julianna Serrano, Vice President of Advocacy and Equity for Planned Parenthood Pasadena and the San Gabriel Valley. After the SCOTUS ruling last week that overturned Roe v. Wade, the federal constitutional right to abortion, Planned Parenthood wants citizens to know abortion is still legal in California. PPP SGV will proudly continue to provide abortion and other sexual and reproductive health care to all who need it. Find out about volunteer opportunities, share your abortion story and help educate people about abortion and destigmatize abortion, and donate at <u>www.pppsgv.org</u>

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 18 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jeff Zarrinnam

Tami has a California Conversation with Jeff Zarrinnam, the Chair of the Hollywood Sign Trust. The Hollywood Sign Trust works to preserve and protect the Hollywood Sign for generations to come. Next year, 2023, will be the Hollywood Sign's 100 year anniversary, so to celebrate the centennial, there are eco-friendly ways to experience the sign this summer. Stunning views, hiking trails, picnic spots, horse rides to the sign, Red Line and DASH observatory bus. Follow the sky report to stargaze, learn about all the flora and fauna that call the sign home, including P-22 the famous mountain lion! All the info is at <u>www.hollywoodsign.org</u>

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/17/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Candice Dickens-Russell

Tami has a California Conversation with FoLAR, Friends of the Los Angeles River CEO Candice Dickens-Russell, about FoLAR's annual cleanups going on now. The Great LA River Cleanup is part of the RIVERlution, you can sign up to get involved at <u>www.FoLAR.org</u>

*Open Line* Date: 7/17/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 19 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Richard Ayoub

Tami has a California Conversation with Richard Ayoub, Executive Director of Project Angel Food, about the Lead With Love/Become a Hunger Hero event/telethon broadcast on Saturday July 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7-9pm on KTLA Channel 5. Audacy has partnered with Ralph's Food 4 Less and Project Angel Food for this event to help our most vulnerable critically ill neighbors with healthy meals, compassion, kindness and love. KRTH's Lisa Stanley, The WAVE's Pat Prescott and Greg Mack, and KROQ's Megan Holiday will be part of the telethon, you can make donations starting NOW at www.angelfood.org/hero Ralph's Food 4 Less is matching your donations, and Audacy has donated \$7500!

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 11 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Tim Weisberg

Tami has a California Conversation with Tim Weisberg, Deputy Director of Marketing and Public Affairs for the Office of Traffic Safety. They are currently running a campaign to help combat speeding in California. Tim also gave tips on avoiding DUI, avoiding heatstroke and other summer safety driving tips. More info at <u>www.ots.ca.gov</u>

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Ken Charles

After seven years of guiding KNX to new heights, brand manager/program director, Ken Charles, is stepping down. He led the shift from 1070am to 97.1fm which has transformed the listening experience for the audience. What's he most proud of during this time here? What's next? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Ken Charles, outgoing Brand Manager for KNX News 97.1 FM

*Open Line* Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 13 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Tom Ford

Tami has a California Conversation with The Bay Foundation's CEO Tom Ford. The Bay Foundation's mission is to advance science, restore habitat and address climate change with ocean coastal community centered programs. They have been working on restoring kelp forests, the abalone population, and beach dunes. Cool volunteer opportunities at <a href="https://www.santamonicabay.org">www.santamonicabay.org</a>

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 18 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Shelly Wood

Tami has a California Conversation with Shelly Wood, Executive Director of the Grandview Foundation in Pasadena. Since 1969, Grandview has provided treatment to men suffering from addiction and co-occuring mental health disorders. The Grandview Foundation Run For The Health of It Devil's Gate 5K Fundraiser is Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup>. Run, sponsor and get involved at this family friendly event at www.run4health.org and www.grandviewfoundation.com

#### **Open** Line

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 20 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Harlan Rottblatt

Tami has a California Conversation with Harlan Rottblatt, Project Director for the Don't Think Know or I Know STI testing program through the LA County Dept. of Public Health. The test is Easy, Free, Confidential and Accurate the I KNOW program deals specifically with Chlamydia and gonorrhea, which are sneaky infections, because many people are asymptomatic and don't know they have either STI until they get tested. All the info is at <u>www.dontthinkknow.org</u>

*Open Line* Date: 8/28/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 13 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Loren Magana

Tami has a California Conversation with Loren Magana, manager of the Stormwater Education Program with Caltrans. They aim to raise awareness of sources and pathways of stormwater pollution, they have tips to help motorists reduce litter and other pollutants on highways to protect and improve California's water quality. The Let's Change This To That initiative helps the public learn ways to each responsibly do our part to help keep CA waterways clean. More info at <u>www.CleanWaterCA.com</u> and signups for the month of September cleanups are at <u>www.coastalcleanupday.org</u>

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 24 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Mim Michelove

Tami has a California Conversation with Mim Michelove, co-founder, CEO and President of Healthy Day Partners in Encinitas. Their mission is to nourish and help people and the planet through healthier food systems, ecological practices and environmental education. Straight to the plate, Farm to school and home grown hunger relief are just some of their efforts. Find out about volunteer and donor opportunities at <u>www.healthydaypartners.org</u>

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Louisa Rocque

Tami has a California Conversation with Louisa Rocque, Executive Director Greater LA and Central Coast AFSP, American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. September is National Suicide Prevention Month, and AFSP is all about saving lives and bringing hope. They have resources for mental health support, and AFSP reminds people that they matter, they are not alone, and suicide is preventable. A series of Out Of The Darkness walks starts September 17<sup>th</sup> in Ventura County, with other walks October 22<sup>nd</sup> in Santa Monica, November 5<sup>th</sup> in Pasadena, and November 12<sup>th</sup> in Santa Barbara. People struggling and in crisis can call or text 988 or chat at 988lifeline.org Find out more and sign up for the fundraising walks, volunteer and get involved at <u>www.afsp.org</u> and <u>www.afsp.org/resources</u>

*Open Line* Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 20 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Beth Pratt

Tami has a California Conversation with Beth Pratt, Regional Executive Director California National Wildlife Federation. Beth is a wildlife advocate and author, and spearheaded the "Critter Corrider" back in 2012, the Wallis Annenberg Wildlife Crossing, which had its groundbreaking on Earth Day in April. 2022. P-22 is not only a tattoo that Beth Pratt sports, but the famous mountain lion of Griffith Park who has his own celebration day, coming up on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Find out how you can volunteer and get involved at <u>www.savelacougars.org</u>.

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 18 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jeff Zarrinnam

Tami has a California Conversation with Jeff Zarrinnam, chair of the Hollywood Sign Trust. The iconic Hollywood sign is getting ready for its close-up for its centennial celebration in 2023. This week started the prep, prime and paint phase of the beautification process. There is a webcam where you can watch the progress of the project, at <u>www.hollywoodsign.org</u> Sherwin Williams is the official paint company for this centennial spruce up, and up to 400 gallons of paint and primer will be used. Emerald Rain Refresh in Extra White SW 7006 is the name of the color chosen for this special paint, which has an ultra durable exterior coating with Self Cleaning Technology. Basically, it's magic, just like the sign itself. The project will be finished in mid November. A plan to build a museum/appreciation center near the landmark sign is in the works, stay tuned...

# ISSUE: Crime & Drugs

*Open Line* Date: 7/31/22

Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dr. Bethany Cook

Knott's Berry Farm is taking action to try to prevent another massive brawl that led to the shutdown of the park. It's now requiring minors be accompanied at all times by an adult 21 and older on Fridays and Saturdays. But how effective will this really be? Can a 21-year-old really have that much control over rowdy and angry teenagers? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Dr. Bethany Cook, psychologist and expert on parental guidance and children's mental health

### **ISSUE:** Public Safety

**Open Line** 

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Russell Jeung

So much hate in California. The number of hate crimes rose here for the third year in a row in 2021. They've increased to a level California hasn't seen since the spike in the aftermath of 9/11. What's striking now is that the rate of attacks against Asian-Americans jumped nearly 178 percent from 2020. KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Russell Jeung, San Francisco State professor; co-founder of Stop AAPI Hate

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Wyatt Werneth

California and other states are dealing with a lifeguard shortage. It's impacting public pools. Some have had to cut back hours. Blame the pandemic but also strict certification requirements in California. They're different for beach and pool lifeguards. KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Wyatt Werneth, lifeguard instructor trainer; Public Service Spokesperson for the American Lifeguard Association

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Kevin Cruz & Roddy Roediger

If you think the DMV written test here in California is difficult, you're not alone. The data backs up your feelings. The DMV says those who have attempted the test over the past two decades have an average failure rate of 51.5%. This includes though who have had to take the test again after driving for many years. Is the test purposely tricky? Are the questions just obscure? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Kevin Cruz, owner of Drive Test Car Services in Orange County and Roddy Roediger, professor of psychological and brain sciences at Washington University in St. Louis; co-author of the book "Make It Stick: The Science of Successful Learning"

### **ISSUE:** Public Safety

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: David Strayer

Our cars are distracting us into crashes, often in the name of safety: the cognitive overload of multiple cameras, multiple screens, multiple gadgets are creating safety hazards in the most modern cars. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with David Strayer, professor of cognition and neural science (with a focus on studying distractions and attention deficit) at the University of Utah

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jessica Lall

Starbucks is closing 16 stores in Los Angeles, Seattle & Portland because of the impacts of rampant homelessness---which puts focus on LA business owners trying to manage homeless populations in their doorways. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Jessica Lall, president & CEO of the Central City Association of Los Angeles

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Gaya Herrington

Back in 1972 researchers at MIT predicted a global societal collapse by 2040--50 years later a sustainability expert took a look at their work and finds it checks out, we're all doomed. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Gaya Herrington, sustainability expert/researcher & author of Five Insights for Avoiding Global Collapse

### **ISSUE:** Animals

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: James Anderson

Sharks seem to like beaches around July 4th. Maybe they've all watched Jaws and figure coastlines are the place to be to hang out. Researchers at Long Beach State and the University of Minnesota find juvenile white sharks are swimming around the beaches of southern California. Should surfers and swimmers worry? KNX's Mike Simpson and Rob Archer speak with James Anderson, study lead author and researcher at Long Beach State's Shark Lab

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/24/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jill Dyché

LA city animal shelters are filling up which is causing problems and leading to poorer conditions from some of the animals there. This has some animal activists calling for major changes such as privatizing the shelters. But wouldn't that lead to more problems? What does privatizing animal shelters look like exactly? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Jill Dyché, executive director of rescue group Outta the Cage

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00 AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dave Bader

A toxic algae bloom off the coast of Southern California is getting hundreds of sea lions sick. Some wildlife experts are calling for a state of emergency. It's mostly impacting sea lions off the coasts of Santa Barbara and Ventura counties but there's concern it could start to hit sea lions in la and orange counties when new pups wean from their mothers. KNX's Chris Sedens and Mike Simpson speak with Dave Bader, Chief Operations and Education Officer at Marine Mammal Care Center

### ISSUE: Politics

**Open Line** 

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Larry Gerston

Gas price politics is center stage in Sacramento. A committee of lawmakers hears testimony on claims the oil companies are price gouging. That as the governor and democratic leaders reach a deal on gas rebates. How will the moves go down with the public? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Larry Gerston, political analyst and Professor Emeritus at San Jose State University

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michele Goodwin

California could become a sanctuary state for abortion. There could be a state constitutional amendment put in place guaranteeing abortion access here. It doesn't look like things will change much in this state as far as access but could that change in the future? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Michele Goodwin, Chancellor's Professor of Law at UC Irvine; Director of the Center for Biotechnology and Global Health Policy

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/3/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Kavon Ward

Bruce's Beach is now officially being given back to its rightful owners. The descendants of Willa and Charles Bruce will now own the land again in Manhattan Beach. However, the story doesn't end here. There are other families whose ancestors had land unfairly taken from them who are looking to get it back. KNX's Mike Simpson and Rob Archer speak with Kavon Ward, founder of Justice for Bruce's Beach; she's helping five other Black California families with stories similar to the Bruces

**Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 9 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Tony Smith

The Supreme Court ends its latest term handing down two major rulings. One says the Biden administration properly ended a trump-era policy forcing some U.S. asylum-seekers to wait in Mexico. Another sharply limits the Biden administration's authority to restrict the carbon pollution that is causing global warming. KNX's Chris Sedens and Mike Simpson speak with Tony Smith, political science and law professor at UC Irvine

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Dan Walters

Some new laws went into effect in California for July. The biggest one is the gas tax. Prices at the pump will go up. There's also a law about school start times for middle and high schools as well as one about microstamping and handguns. This all comes as a new budget deal has been reached? Will our lives change much now? KNX's Mike Simpson and Chris Sedens speak with Dan Walters, Cal Matters political analyst

### **Open** Line

Date: 7/31/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Brian Lowry

The recent Emmy nominations, totally dominated by shows from streaming & cable outlets, further buries traditional tv networks in creative relevance. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Brian Lowry, TV critic & media industry analyst for CNN

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Ray Patel & Jeremy Blasi

The Los Angeles city council will let voters decide in 2024 on an ordinance that would require hotels in the city offer up vacant rooms to the homeless. Hotels would have to inform the city about empty rooms then homeless people would be given vouchers to use. But some hotel owners say this would hurt their business and cause problems they simply don't need. KNX's Charles Feldman and Brian Ping speak with Ray Patel, owner of the Welcome Inn in Eagle Rock; President of NE Los Angeles Hotel Owner's Association and Jeremy Blasi, general counsel of UNITE HERE Local 11 which supports the proposed ordinance

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jem Aswad

Music icon Olivia Newton-John has died at her home here in California. The singer, songwriter, actress, entrepreneur and activist won four Grammys and had five number one hits and ten top ten hits. She also had two number one albums in the 1970s. She is most well known for her role as Sandy Olsson in "Grease." she had been battling breast cancer for years. She was 73. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Jem Aswad, senior music writer for Variety

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jack Pitney

Governor Newsom seems to be pushing ahead with eyes on the White House. There's been speculation Newsom may run in 2024 if President Biden decides one term is enough for him. While Newsom's star power might be rising quickly on the left it doesn't mean he's a lock to win anything. Someone else was on a similar path nearly 40 years ago. His name was Michael Dukakis. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Jack Pitney, presidential politics expert and political analyst at Claremont McKenna College; he wrote an op-ed in The Hill making the Newsom-Dukakis comparison

### **Open Line**

Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Diane Gottsman

Do you think people in la are rude generally? Have you visited other cities and thought people were not very polite? A new survey ranks the most rude big cities in the country. The rudest? Philadelphia. Memphis and New York City are next. Where does LA rank? 9th. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Diane Gottsman, etiquette expert who runs "The Protocol School of Texas"

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Brian Dahle

California and electric companies like Edison are asking people to conserve power so as not to strain the electric grid during this statewide heat wave. They're asking people not to charge phones after 4pm and to avoid charging your electric car. If we're supposed to phase out gas-powered cars coming up, how can we expect the grid to handle things when more people have EVs? Also, can you really expect people not to charge their phone when they're so vital for people? This seems like an indictment of the system more than anything. KNX's Rob Archer and Charles Feldman speak with Brian Dahle, State Senator (R-Bieber); candidate for governor

*Open Line* Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 9 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: David Sheridan

Not everyone is mourning the death of Queen Elizabeth. Many people took to social media to express happiness over her death, saying she's representative of colonialism which was responsible for oppression and atrocities over the centuries. The queen never formally apologized but was the monarch when the UK essentially dismantled its empire. What's her legacy when it comes to this? KNX's Mike Simpson and Chris Sedens speak with David Sheridan, history professor at Long Beach State; expert in 20th century British history

*Open Line* Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jacquie Jordan

This year's Emmys show just how much streaming and cable shows dominate. "Succession" and "Ted Lasso" captured top honors as outstanding drama series and comedy series, respectively -- while "The White Lotus" pulled in five trophies. What can the networks do to compete? KNX's Chris Sedens and Mike Simpson speak with Jacquie Jordan, entertainment and pop culture expert

# **Open Line**

Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Sara Sadhwani

The LA mayor's race is heating up as tonight is the first debate between Karen Bass and Rick Caruso. Bass is leading in the polls but a strong debate showing by Caruso could turn the tide for him ahead of the election. So how should each candidate approach the next few weeks? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Sara Sadhwani, professor of politics at Pomona College

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Jeremy White

Look for some extra money soon. The state announced it'll send most people "inflation relief" tax refund payments starting next month. Some people could get over \$1,000. But will this help or is it a cynical attempt to buy votes from people ahead of the November elections? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Jeremy White, co-writer of Politico's California Playbook

### **ISSUE:** Environment

# **Open** Line

Date: 7/10/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: David Bottjer

Scientists say wildfires caused by global warming could lead to mass extinction. They found accelerating fires more than 250 million years ago led to a massive extinction called the "great dying." we've been seeing an increase in wildfires that scientists have blamed on climate change. Are we in for a second "great dying" right now? KNX's Mike Simpson and Rob Archer speak with David Bottjer, paleoecologist at USC

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Sarah Kendrew & Alex Filippenko

The Webb telescope sends back some of its first pictures looking further into our universe than anyone has previously seen--showing deep space structures in stunning detail. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Sarah Kendrew, astronomer at the European Space Agency & an instrument/calibration scientist on the James Webb space telescope team and Alex Filippenko, astrophysicist and professor of astronomy at UC Berkeley

# **Open** Line

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michael Wall

NASA says it's forming an independent group of investigators to study UFOs. It'll even come out with a public report. NASA does dash the hopes of those in search of aliens. It says there's no evidence UFOs are extraterrestrial in origin. What can NASA expect to find? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Michael Wall, senior writer for Space.com

# **Open Line**

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Stuart Bartlett & Michael Wong

The big existential question of our time is: if aliens are out there, why haven't they visited us? A couple scientists speculate the big reason is that advanced societies may blow themselves up before getting the chance to explore the universe. Or, they say, civilizations may just start to focus on comfort rather than expansion. KNX's Brian Ping and Mike Simpson speak with Stuart Bartlett, study co-author; research at the California Institute of Technology's Division of Geological and Planetary Sciences and Michael Wong, study co-author; astrobiologist and planetary scientist at the Carnegie Institution for Science

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Avi Loeb

When people talk about aliens visiting earth they often get dismissed as crackpots or conspiracy theorists. People question their credentials. But what happens when an esteemed astronomer and says they probably have visited? One astronomer from Harvard say he thinks it's clear aliens have been on earth. KNX's Chris Sedens and Charles Feldman speak with Avi Loeb, former chair of Harvard's Department of Astronomy and current professor there; author of Extraterrestrial: The First Sign of Intelligent Life Beyond Earth

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Katie Bouman

Astronomers and scientists release the first image of the Milky Way's huge black hole. How did they take the picture? And what's the significance? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Katie Bouman, professor of computing and math at Cal Tech in Pasadena who is a member of the Event Horizon Telescope team that captured the image

# **Open Line**

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Amir Siraj

Scientists have made a unique discovery. They found the first known interstellar meteor to ever hit earth. That's a meteor that came from outside of the solar system. It crashed-landed in Papua New Guinea in 2014. What can we learn from this find? KNX's Rob Archer and Mike Simpson speak with Amir Siraj, astrophysicist at Harvard University; he identified the object as an interstellar meteor

# **Open Line**

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Bruce Banerdt

The NASA in-sight lander records the biggest ever earthquake on Mars. What does it tell us about the red planet? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Bruce Banerdt, principal investigator for the Mars lander InSight mission at JPL

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/7/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Alex Tardy

This unusual heat wave matches a hypothetical weather forecast for 2050 that UK experts put together based on climate change projections. They were right 28 years early. This comes as experts in the U.S. are projecting a strong possibility of a third straight La Nina winter. That doesn't happen often and could mean not much rain again for southern California. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Alex Tardy, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service San Diego

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Bob Henson

If the nights have seemed warmer than usual it's because they have been. July had the warmest nights on record nationally. The average low was just over 63.5 degrees. Daytime was hot as this was the third-hottest July on record across the country. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Bob Henson, meteorologist and journalist with Yale Climate Connections; author of *The Thinking Person's Guide to Climate Change* 

#### **Open Line**

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Erik Franklin

A new study says climate hazards like flooding, drought and heat waves have made many infectious diseases even worse. Doctors, going back to Hippocrates, have long connected disease to weather, but this study shows how widespread the influence of climate is on human health. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Erik Franklin, study co-author; director of the Franklin Lab at the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology at the University of Hawaii at Manoa

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/14/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: John Herrick

The Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers are central arms of California's water system. But they are becoming too salty to use for some farmers and cities that rely on them as the state's drought drags on. In dry times, less fresh water flows from the mountains through California's rivers and into an estuary known as the delta. That means saltier water from the Pacific Ocean is able to push further into the system, which supplies water to millions of people and acres of farmland. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with John Herrick, general counsel for the South Delta Water Agency

### **Open Line**

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Brent Yamasaki

Over 4-million LA county residents won't be permitted to water outside for most of September, thanks to a leaking, vital pipeline from the Colorado river--speaking of which, water allotments from the Colorado are cut as the river continues to dry out. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Brent Yamasaki, water systems manager at the Metropolitan Water District.

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michael Anderson

Oh the cruel irony: in drought stricken California, where water is in short supply, there are massive risks of a "megaflood" event where an atmospheric river would dump months worth of rain over the state in just a few days. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Michael Anderson, State Climatologist & Supervising Engineer Specialist at the California Department of Water Resources

### **Open** Line

Date: 8/21/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Kristen Guirguis

Changing weather patterns could be making Santa Ana winds a lot worse. A UC San Diego study finds there are more frequent, hot, dry Santa Ana winds during winter months. That means elevated fire danger. After fires, some atmospheric river rainstorms are intensifying, which could worsen flood events in areas scarred by those fires. KNX's Brian Ping and Charles Feldman speak with Kristen Guirguis, climate researcher at UCSD's Scripps Institution of Oceanography; lead author of the study

*Open Line* Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Michael Shellenberger

With this long and oppressive heat wave bearing down on California, officials may call for more flex alerts and ask that people conserve power. There's concern that too much demand for electricity could strain the electric grid and lead to blackouts, both accidental and intentional. But would we have this problem if we all embraced nuclear power decades ago? Should we work toward a nuclear plant comeback? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Michael Shellenberger, founder and president of Environmental Progress; author; former California governor candidate

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Brent Yamasaki

Southern California is facing a drought and the prospect of a water shortage looms over the entire western region. Water officials here are calling for four million people in LA County to suspend outdoor watering from September 6th to the 20th. There will be a shutdown and repair of a critical pipeline that delivers water from the Colorado River. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Brent Yamasaki, water systems manager at the Metropolitan Water District

### **Open Line**

Date: 9/4/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Casey Case

Do you talk to trees and plants? It sounds like a weird thing to do but apparently it's rather common. A new survey finds nearly half of people report talking to their trees and plants. Nearly one in four say they even kissed their plants. Many people who do talk to their plants say they do so to help them grow. Is there any science in that? KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Casey Case, landscape architect and president of Gates + Associates in Walnut Creek, CA.

*Open Line* Date: 9/11/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Shon Hiatt

California set a record for electricity usage this week and barely avoided rolling blackouts. Cal iso was on the brink of ordering the blackouts but there was enough conservation at the right time to avoid power shutoffs. But why is this still even a problem? Does California have enough electricity or not? If it does, then why do we need continuous flex alerts? If it doesn't then why not enough? KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Shon Hiatt, energy sector expert; professor of management and organization at the USC Marshall School of Business

### **Open** Line

Date: 9/18/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Mike Halpert

La Niña is back for the third year in a row. The world meteorological organization says it's the first time this century this has happened. This likely means a dry winter again for Southern California as rain clouds are pushed out to sea. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Mike Halpert, Deputy Director of NOAA's Climate Prediction Center

# **Open** Line

Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Travis Longcore and Ruskin Hartley

LED lights might be great for the environment and more efficient than the old light bulbs, but they are not without problems. The drive for efficient fixtures has come at the expense of a rapid increase in light pollution. LEDs give off cooler bluish-white tones that exacerbate light pollution for the same reason that the sky is blue. KNX's Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson speak with Travis Longcore, urban ecologist at UCLA and Ruskin Hartley, executive director of the International Dark Sky Association

*Open Line* Date: 9/25/22 Time: 6:00AM Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program Guest: Nathan Pumplin

You've seen red and green tomatoes. Now there are purple tomatoes. The USDA has approved a genetically modified purple tomato, clearing the path for the unique fruit to be sold in American stores next year. There could be health benefits. Cancer-prone mice that ate the purple tomatoes lived around 30% longer than those that ate normal tomatoes, according to a study. KNX's Mike Simpson and Charles Feldman speak with Nathan Pumplin, CEO and president of Norfolk Healthy Produce which works on the genetically-modified tomatoes