

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Station: KTWO-AM, KKTL-FM, KRVK-FM, KWYY-FM KRNK-FM

July 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020

Section I. Issues

The station has identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. COVID 19 Pandemic:** The United States continues to navigate the world during the COVID Era, and Wyoming is no different. We interviewed officials ranging from local doctors to the state public health officer. As the return to classes loomed for Wyoming’s schools and the state’s only 4-year university, education officials came on programming. Also had business leaders and experts join our programming to talk about the impacts of COVID-19 on business.
- B. Statewide Political Climate:** While Wyoming is one of the most consistently red states in the country, the August primaries saw several established Republican lawmakers lose their elections. Those losses included state legislators who held leadership positions in the state capitol in Cheyenne. We interviewed party officials and others who are in Wyoming’s political trenches to get an idea of why that is happening.
- C. Major Wyoming Land Sale:** One of the more controversial topics in Wyoming — Governor Mark Gordon proposed that the state purchase 1 million acres of land along with the mineral rights to another 4 million. As Wyoming wrestles with declining revenue from the extraction industry (see below), this was a contentious issue in the Cowboy State this summer. Guests on our programs included experts on both sides of the issue to explain a complicated deal to Wyomingites.
- D. Wyoming Wrestles with Budget Cuts/Wyoming Energy:** Wyoming has already cut its budget by 10% — and more are coming. This is due to the state’s reliance on the extraction industries, which took severe hits as demand for electricity and gasoline plummeted amid the pandemic. Programming included airing Governor Mark Gordon’s addresses to the state’s citizens. We also had guests on our shows to distill the situation to listeners.
- E. National Issues/Local Perspective:** Although it happened on the last week of the quarter, Supreme Court Justice Ruther Bader Ginsburg’s passing became a huge issue with Wyoming’s representatives in Washington, D.C. That included US Senator John Barrasso taking a stance on appointing a new justice before the 2020 presidential election. Additional programming included soundbites from Wyoming’s delegation taking the floor of their respective chambers in Washington to discuss the day’s issues.

Section II. Responsive Programs

Date(s) Aired	Program Name	Description of Issue Discussed	Duration	Time and/or Frequency
July 5	Report to Wyoming	<b>Wyoming Energy.</b> US Senator John Barrasso Joined Glenn Woods to discuss the impacts of Wyoming’s declining coal industry	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday

		<b>National Issues/Local Perspective</b> Cassie Craven with the Wyoming Liberty Group joined Glenn Woods to talk about the impact a supreme court ruling had on Wyoming school choice.		
July 12	Report to Wyoming	<b>Major Wyoming Land Sale.</b> Colleen Faber, former Wyoming Environmental Manager for Wyoming Occidental Petroleum joined Glenn Woods and discussed the nature of the proposed land sale.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
July 19	Report to Wyoming	<b>COVID-19 Pandemic.</b> Wyoming Business Council CEO Josh Durrell joined Glenn Woods to talk about COVID's local impacts on Wyoming's economy and businesses.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
July 26	Report to Wyoming	<b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Senator John Barrasso joined a national news television program to discuss the next round of COVID-relief legislation.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
August 2	Report to Wyoming	<b>Statewide Political Climate.</b> Blake Stanley, who ran against US Rep. Liz Cheney joined Glenn Woods to discuss his campaign. <b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> David Bossie with the Republican National Committee discussed with host Glenn Woods how polling data can often be unreliable in the midst of a political campaign.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
August 9	Report to Wyoming	<b>Major Wyoming Land Sale.</b> Laramie County Commissioner Linda Heath joined host Glenn Woods to give her perspective on the proposed major land deal.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
August 16	Report to Wyoming	<b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Attorney General William Barr met with the Wyoming law enforcement community in Cheyenne. We played a large chunk of the discussion. <b>COVID-19 Pandemic.</b> Natrona County Health Officer Dr. Mark Dowell joined Glenn Woods to discuss what returning to school will look like in the area during the COVID area.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday
August 23	Report to Wyoming	<b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Rep Liz Cheney (R-WY) joined Fox and Friends to give her take on the US Presidential Election. <b>COVID-19 Pandemic:</b> Wyoming Superintendent of Public Instruction Jilian Balow joined Glenn Woods to discuss	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday

		returning to school during the COVID-19 pandemic.		
August 30	Report to Wyoming	<b>Wyoming Wrestles with Budget Cuts.</b> Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon addressed the state regarding the state's budget cuts, including 10% across-the board to all agencies. <b>COVID-19 Pandemic.</b> University of Wyoming Vice Provost Benham-Deal joined Glenn Woods to discuss a return to classes at the state's only 4-year university during the COVID-19 pandemic.	30 min	6 a.m. Sunday
Sept. 6	Report to Wyoming	<b>COVID-19 Pandemic.</b> Converse County School District Superintendent Coley Shadrick joined Glenn Woods to discuss local students' return to school during the COVID-19 pandemic. <b>State Mental Health Facility Opens.</b> A mental health facility opened in Lander. We broadcast soundbites from the dedication ceremony.	30 min	6 a.m. Sunday
Sept. 13	Report to Wyoming	<b>COVID-19 Pandemic.</b> Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon addressed the state on new health orders and COVID-19 regulations.	30 min	6 a.m. Sunday
Sept. 20:	Report to Wyoming	<b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Senator John Barrasso (R-WY) took to the floor of the US Senate to discuss passage of a COVID-19 relief bill. <b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Rep Liz Cheney (R-WY) accosted House Democrats for their role in passing a COVID-19 relief package.	30 min	6 a.m. Sunday
Sept. 27	Report to Wyoming	<b>National Issues/Local Perspective.</b> US Sen. John Barrasso (R-WY) joined the morning cable news programs to argue for appointing a new US Supreme Court Justice prior to the 2020 presidential election.	30 min.	6 a.m. Sunday