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<b>Issue 1: As the pandemic continues to impact Far West Texas, testing in the region remains infrequent. These stories provided readers and listeners with the latest testing information in Brewster, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties.</b>				
01/05/21	<a href="#">Public COVID-19 Testing Returns To Far West Texas This Week And Next</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Upcoming public testing for the coronavirus will be in Alpine, Marfa, Fort Davis, Presidio and Van Horn. All testing is free and open to residents throughout the region.
01/18/21	<a href="#">Tri-County Area Gets Another Round Of Free COVID-19 Testing</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:42	For the second time this month, a mobile testing unit will make a swing through the Big Bend Region, stopping in Presidio, Alpine, Marfa and Fort Davis this week.
01/27/21	<a href="#">First Week Of February Brings New COVID-19 Testing To Big Bend Region</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:56	Upcoming public testing for the coronavirus will take place in Alpine, Marfa, and Fort Davis.
02/22/21	<a href="#">Feb. 22 After Weather Delay, Free COVID-19 Testing Resumes In Big Bend Region This Week</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:51	Like just about everything, COVID-19 screening was interrupted by the massive winter storm that pummeled Texas last week. But as mild weather returns, so will mobile, public coronavirus testing, with stops in Presidio, Alpine, Marfa, and Fort Davis.
03/03/21	<a href="#">Public COVID-19 Testing Returns To Far West Texas This Week</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Testing for COVID-19 returns to the Big Bend region this second week of March. Public screenings for the disease take place in Marfa, Presidio, Marathon and Terlingua.
<b>Issue 2: As the vaccine rollout unfolds in the Big Bend region, access has been limited and inequitable. These stories explored vaccine distribution in Marfa and Presidio, and provided listeners/readers with the resources they needed to receive a vaccine.</b>				
1/15/2021	<a href="#">Here's A Breakdown Of The Coronavirus Vaccine Rollout In The Big Bend Region</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:08:38	For a little over a month now, the state has been distributing COVID-19 vaccines produced by biomedical companies Pfizer and Moderna, but the rollout has been confusing and frustrating, especially for residents in rural communities.
2/2/2021	<a href="#">Permian Basin Hospital Gives Big Bend Vaccination Efforts A Shot In The Arm</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:45	Hospitals in the Permian Basin have long promised to assist smaller, more rural communities, and now have the capacity to do so after the state increased vaccine shipments. The one-day inoculation clinics herald a major change for Big Bend area residents — until now, those seeking a vaccine have often had to travel hours to larger medical hubs in West Texas.
2/11/2021	<a href="#">Midland Hospital Sending Additional Vaccine Doses After Scheduling Confusion Muddles Marfa Event</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:30	Earlier this week, Hundreds of West Texans received coronavirus vaccine doses during one-day clinics in Fort Davis and Marfa. The clinics were some of the largest single-day vaccination efforts so far in the Big Bend. And while it was a big step forward in the regional vaccine rollout, the event in Marfa ran into some issues — dozens of residents who had made appointments weren't vaccinated.
3/3/2021	<a href="#">State Sends Texas National Guard To Vaccinate Older Texans In The Big Bend</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:41	This week, the state is sending Texas National Guard teams to rural and isolated corners of the state to vaccinate seniors. The effort, dubbed "Save Our Seniors," is part of the state's attempt to get more elderly Texans vaccinated, especially those who live in hard-to-reach areas.
3/10/2021	<a href="#">Here's What To Know About Upcoming Vaccinations In The Big Bend Region</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:54	A growing number of residents most at risk for COVID-19 in the Big Bend area are being vaccinated, and local officials say they're now ready to expand vaccine eligibility to include a wider swath of the population.
3/12/2021	<a href="#">"It is too difficult.": Presidio Officials Call For More State Help To Vaccinate Residents</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:07:12	The City of Presidio saw its first state-run mass COVID-19 vaccination clinic held on Thursday. Officials in the border community hope as more vaccines become available across the Big Bend region, more events like this will be held so the city doesn't have to continue to rely on one local clinic for vaccines.
<b>Issue 3: In Texas, the state has named Midland and Odessa hospitals as "vaccination hubs" – large medical providers capable of storing and administering large volumes of covid vaccines. These stories look at the challenges hospital officials faced in providing vaccines and how access slowly reached wider populations in the two cities.</b>				

1/19/2021	<a href="#">Midland-Odessa Hospitals Prepare to Distribute COVID-19 Vaccines By The Thousands</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:45	In the coming days, the state is expected to send thousands of doses of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine to Midland Memorial Hospital and Medical Center Hospital in Odessa as the two facilities prepare to administer vaccines on a massive scale. Here's what you need to know about the vaccine rollout in the two Permian Basin cities.
1/22/2021	<a href="#">Permian Basin Hospitals Gear Up For Mass COVID-19 Vaccinations</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:06:18	Both major hospitals in the Midland-Odessa area are beginning to receive thousands of doses of the COVID-19 vaccine each week. This positions the two cities to become the vaccination hubs not only for the Permian Basin but also for West Texas as a whole.
1/28/2021	<a href="#">With Two Locations For Mass Vaccinations, How's The COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout In The Permian?</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:06:03	This week, Odessa's Medical Center Hospital and Midland Memorial Hospital—the two largest healthcare facilities in the Permian Basin—began holding two large-scale vaccination clinics, which have seen a few thousand West Texans so far get coronavirus vaccines.
2/24/2021	<a href="#">Odessa's Vaccination Hub Pulls Back On Expanding Vaccination Roll Out After State Officials Step In</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:59	Earlier this month, Odessa health officials announced they would extend vaccines to essential workers in industries like food service, energy, media and construction. But the move—which would have put the hospital ahead of Texas' vaccination rollout—caught the attention of state officials.
<b>Issue 4: Throughout the last year, West Texas saw the far-reaching impacts of the pandemic. These stories looked at the ways we saw the pandemic change daily life in the Big Bend region.</b>				
1/22/2021	<a href="#">Following Lawsuit, Agriculture Producer Agrees To Extra Coronavirus Precautions For West Texas Workers</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Following a federal lawsuit, Village Farms, a major agriculture company, has agreed to implement additional coronavirus protections for its workers at its facilities in Monahans, Texas.
02/24/21	<a href="#">For Valentine Postmaster, Letters Of Love Take On New Meaning This Year</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:03:20	Valentine's day is upon us, and, like all holidays during the pandemic, it can feel kinda weird. How do you celebrate a holiday that's all about love and connection during a time when so many are isolated from their loved ones?
3/3/2021	<a href="#">Going To Big Bend National Park? Despite Gov. Abbott Lifting COVID-19 Restrictions, You'll Still Need A Mask</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Officials at Big Bend National Park say Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's rollback on the state's mask mandate has "no impact" on park rules, and visitors are still required to wear a mask in all park buildings, as well as in outdoor spaces where social distancing isn't possible.
<b>Issue 5: During the pandemic, tourism to Big Bend National Park has continued despite the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention warning against travel. These stories looked at the impacts of the park and how officials responded to a growing number of visitors.</b>				
1/6/2021	<a href="#">From Empty Trails To Traffic Jams, 2020 Was A Year Of Extremes In Big Bend National Park</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:51	Over the course of the pandemic, the number of people visiting Big Bend National Park has fluctuated wildly — first dropping to all-time lows in the Spring, then smashing records in the final months of last year.
3/3/2021	<a href="#">Going To Big Bend National Park? Despite Gov. Abbott Lifting COVID-19 Restrictions, You'll Still Need A Mask</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Officials at Big Bend National Park say Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's rollback on the state's mask mandate has "no impact" on park rules, and visitors are still required to wear a mask in all park buildings, as well as in outdoor spaces where social distancing isn't possible.
<b>Issue 6: In February, a severe winter storm hit all of Texas. In rural Marfa and Alpine, the impacts of the storm were extensive, leading to power outages, shuttered stores and residents with limited resources to weather the storm. These stories provided listeners with up-to-date information on the storm and distilled crucial information.</b>				
2/11/21	<a href="#">Over The Next Few Days, Bitter Cold And Wintry Mix Expected For West Texas</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:51	Cold air settling over the Permian Basin will cause icy conditions for the next few days, according to Scott Kleebauer, a Midland meteorologist for the National Weather Service.
02/14/2021	<a href="#">Officials Warn Drivers to Stay Off The Roads As West Texas Prepares for Winter Storm</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:00:45	A rare winter storm has intensified across Texas, leaving icy roads and dusting the Permian Basin and the Big Bend region with snow. The National Weather Service has placed all of Texas under a winter storm warning as a blast of arctic air moves into the south, dropping temperatures to record-setting lows.
02/14/2021	<a href="#">"Dangerously Cold." West Texas Winter Storm Updates</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:01:23	With temperatures plummeting to record- setting lows, the National Weather Service is warning West Texans of "dangerously cold" weather which has left roads iced over and covered the region in snow.

02/16/2021	<a href="#">When Will This End? What You Need To Know To Weather The Winter Storm Crisis</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:01:10	As of Friday morning, power has been restored to all but a handful of customers across West Texas. Warm weather is on the way this weekend into next week, but burst pipes remain a concern.
02/22/2021	<a href="#">After Weather Delay, Free COVID-19 Testing Resumes In Big Bend Region This Week</a>	6:45 a.m.; 8:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:00:47	Like just about everything, COVID-19 screening was interrupted by the massive winter storm that pummeled Texas last week. But as mild weather returns, so will mobile, public coronavirus testing, with stops in Presidio, Alpine, Marfa, and Fort Davis.
<b>Issue 7: The Big Bend region is full of natural and historic wonders -- the desert landscape and roaming wildlife. The area's deep history is worthy of exploring. These stories look at the natural wonders of Far West Texas, from the sky island of the Davis Mountains to the Chihuahuan desert.</b>				
01/21/2021	<a href="#">In Presidio County, Archeologists Document the Ancient Architecture of Warfare</a>	7:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:00	On buttes and mesas in southern Presidio County, archeologists with Alpine's Center for Big Bend Studies are finding dozens of manmade stone "bastions." The age of these structures is a mystery, but their purpose, the researchers say, is clear. This is the architecture of warfare.
01/22/2021	<a href="#">Big Bend National Park Maps Out New Trail for 2022</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Beginning next year, a new trail at Big Bend National Park will take visitors on a brushy, three-mile trek around the base of Lone Mountain.
01/28/2021	<a href="#">West Texas Croc: Fossil Find Illumines a Dynamic Epoch in Earth's History</a>	7:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:00	The Eocene Epoch began – some 56 million years ago – with massive greenhouse gas emissions. Temperatures rose – the planet's life was transformed. But the epoch, which lasted 22 million years, was also a generative time. Its name means "dawn of the new" – in the animal life of the Eocene, we begin to see a world we recognize. West Texas, in turns out, is offering potent insights into this dynamic time in Earth's history. The latest ambassador is Chinatchampsus wilsonorum – West Texas' own crocodilian.
02/11/2021	<a href="#">In Ancient DNA Findings, Profound Implications for Big Bend's Past, and Present</a>	7:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:00	Scientists have recently analyzed DNA from two prehistoric West Texas burials – remains that, decades ago, were unearthed from their resting places and carried off by artifact hunters. The findings are potent – and could fundamentally alter perspectives on the peoples of the Big Bend – of the past, and the present.
02/24/2021	<a href="#">West Texas Observatory Shoots For The Stars To Preserve Dark Skies</a>	6:04 a.m.;8:04 a.m.;3:32:30 p.m.; 4:32:30 p.m.	0:00:45	Officials with McDonald Observatory are working to make Far West Texas and parts of Northern Mexico an International Dark Sky Reserve. They hope the special designation will help preserve the region's dark skies and support ongoing research at the observatory
02/25/2021	<a href="#">In Operation Ponderosa, DNA Research for the Big Trees of West Texas</a>	7:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:00	A decade ago, between 50 and 75 percent of the big pines in the Davis Mountains were lost – through a combination of historic drought, immense wildfires and bark beetle infestations. Conditions for the trees have always been daunting here, and climate change could push them past the brink. In a century, the West Texas climate may not allow for successful pine regeneration. Texas conservationists and foresters aren't having it. "Operation Ponderosa" is a partnership between The Nature Conservancy and the Texas A&M Forest Service, focused on pines at the Conservancy's Davis Mountains Preserve. The partners are committed to preserving the big trees in our desert-mountains, and they're using cutting-edge science.
03/04/2021	<a href="#">In West Texas, A Whirl of Birds Announces Spring's Return</a>	7:45 a.m.;4:45 p.m.	0:05:00	The action the region sees with spring birds begins in early March, Riley said, as ducks, geese, pelicans and other waterfowl and shorebirds depart. Stock ponds and water holes – like Lake Balmorhea – have provided winter sanctuary here. Now these birds head for the prairie potholes – an expanse of the northern Great Plains, from the Dakotas to Alberta, where thousands of shallow wetlands dot the landscape. There, these birds will summer, and raise their young.