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WyomingPBS expanded its access to viewers through a partnership with PBS. Our main channel can now be watched, for free, through the PBS App on Roku, AppleTV, or Amazon Firestick. The app is also available on cellphones and tablets.

For FY21 WyomingPBS will be petitioning the FCC for permission to replace and increase the power of both our Laramie and Casper transmitters, at a cost of approximately $200K. These changes should greatly extend the reach of the network’s over-the-air signal. Funding for the increase will come from CARES Act Fiscal Stability funds received in FY20.

Both Dish and DIRECTV have agreed to carry WyomingPBS in Carbon, Albany, Platte, Niobrara, Johnson, and Campbell counties. To achieve this, we must provide our signal to their Colorado facilities by a dedicated internet circuit, at a cost of $24K per year, with startup fees of under $20K. However, it is well worth the cost to reach additional viewers in these counties.
Total Income: $4,303,381

FY20 Income greatly exceeded projections due to two one-time only infusions of money. WyomingPBS received over $260K in CARES funding provided to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting by the Federal Government. These funds have been placed in reserve for engineering expenses in FY21.

WyomingPBS also received almost $268K in reimbursement for translator replacement expenses incurred in FY18 through 20. These funds replenished the depleted engineering reserve.

Total Expenses: $3,950,755

As the magnitude of the COVID crisis became clear, WyomingPBS reduced expenses where possible, anticipating a loss of revenue. Minus the reimbursement to reserve, WyomingPBS’s FY20 expenses were approximately $3.7M. This is $150K below the projected expenses for FY20.
Throughout the year of 2020 WyomingPBS offered our statewide broadcast to Governor Gordon as a means to get immediate and vital information about the Covid-19 pandemic to citizens across Wyoming.

These conferences built a framework between WyomingPBS and the Governor’s office to assist in communicating important updates to viewers in WY for future emergency situations. We’re proud to provide this service to our trusted elected officials, along with the ongoing legislative public affairs programming offered through Capitol Outlook.

What if you find a fossil on your own land? Instead of keeping it, you try to sell it and make a profit? And what if the more you look, the more fossils you see - until you realize your land has literally thousands of fossils? What if you make it into a business? This is where it gets a little complicated and people have a lot of opinions.

‘Fossil Country’ (working title) a production by WyomingPBS, in partnership with Alpheus Media, will weave a fascinating narrative of eccentric fossil hunters, commercial dealers, tourists, museum curators and professors of palaeontology, all involved in the world of fossil dealing in Wyoming.

WyomingPBS is proud to provide continued stories of Wyoming’s people, places and history through Wyoming Chronicle. The upcoming season for 2021-2022 promises to educate, inspire and entertain the viewers of Wyoming. Now moving into its 13th season Wyoming Chronicle remains one of our most popular local programs.

Craig Blumenshine, Wyoming Chronicle’s Producer, is excited to present a new slate of local characters and stories in the upcoming season. Stay tuned!