



KAB Non-Metro Station of the Year

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Smoky Hills PBS Replaces Damaged Equipment

BUNKER HILL, KS – Just over a year ago, Smoky Hills PBS suffered a broken water pipe during the extreme and frigid weather conditions back in February 2021. The water damage left Smoky Hills PBS’ broadcast equipment damaged.

Smoky Hills PBS is excited to announce that on the week of March 21st, 2022, a rebuild of the broadcast equipment will take place, replacing the damaged equipment caused by the broken water pipe. The rebuild will replace every aspect of video encoding and broadcasting along with a new automation system. With this new system, Smoky Hills PBS and its viewers will see an increase in the audio quality and picture quality.

The new rebuild will take place on March 21st – April 4th. During this week there might be times that Smoky Hills PBS will be off the air. We do not know the exact times this will occur, but we do not expect the down time to last any more than 30 minutes.

“Next week will be an exciting step for Smoky Hills PBS,” said Thomas Standley, Smoky Hills PBS Master Control Operator. “We want to thank all of our viewers out there for their support a year ago! Without them, these repairs would not be taking place next week. Next week is an exciting time for our station and we can’t wait for you to see the difference your support makes!”

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Smoky Hills PBS serves 71 counties in central and western Kansas and has been named the KS Association of Broadcasters Non-Metro Station of the Year. Smoky Hills PBS is available on many cable systems, DirecTV, DIRECTV STREAM, and Dish Network. It is also available to stream by clicking here: video.smokyhillstv.org/livestream. More information on Smoky Hills PBS and its programs and projects are available at www.SmokyHillsPBS.org or by calling 1-800-337-4788.