

## **NET Radio Receives Grant to Replace KHNE Transmitter Near Hastings**

LINCOLN, Neb. (Sept. 28, 2009) -- NET Radio has received a grant to replace the KHNE-FM transmitter that provides public radio to the Hastings, Grand Island and Kearney areas. The new digital transmission system will allow NET Radio to offer more programming choices to listeners in the Tri-cities area -- NPR news, classical music, NPR talk programming and jazz music.

The KHNE transmitter was due for replacement and NET Radio was able to take advantage of a Corporation for Public Broadcasting grant intended to encourage radio stations to use digital technology, according to NET Radio Network Manager Nancy Finken. The new KHNE transmitter will allow the transmission of both analog and digital radio signals. The work, expected to be done in late October or early November, should take about one day, and on that day, there will be some intermittent outages of radio service.

HD Radio is the general term used to describe a method of digital radio transmission that allows stations to broadcast digital audio, multiple program streams and traditional FM (analog), all on the same frequency. NET Radio's main service -- with NPR news and classical music -- will not change and will be available using an analog or HD radio. A second program service, called HD2, features NPR News and Talk programming during the day and jazz music at night. That service will be available over the air using an HD Radio and on the NET Radio Web site ([netNebraska.org/radio](http://netNebraska.org/radio)). Go to the NET Radio Web site ([netNebraska.org/radio](http://netNebraska.org/radio)) to listen online or for more information about HD Radio.

NET Radio's Lincoln station (KUCV) has already been upgraded and is broadcasting in HD. Grants have also been received to replace and upgrade the aging transmitters at KLNE/Lexington, KXNE/Norfolk and KTNE/Alliance. Finken adds, "The grants do require a cash match, but the funding reduces our replacement costs considerably. In the meantime, I hope everyone goes online to sample some of the new NPR news and talk programs like 'Talk of the Nation,' 'On Point,' 'The Story,' 'American Routes' and 'On the Media.' And jazz fans have plenty to choose from after 7 p.m. CT each evening."

### **NET Radio's HD-2 Program Schedule (all times CT)**

#### **Monday-Friday**

5-9 a.m.	Morning Edition with Nebraska news & weather
9-11 a.m.	On Point
11 a.m.-noon	The Story
Noon-1 p.m.	Fresh Air
1-3 p.m.	Talk of the Nation (Monday-Thursday); Talk of the Nation Science (Friday)
3-7 p.m.	All Things Considered with Nebraska news & weather
7 p.m.-5 a.m.	Jazz

**Saturday**

8-10 a.m.	Weekend Edition
10-11 a.m.	Car Talk
11 a.m.-noon	Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me!
Noon	Marketplace Money
1-2 p.m.	Splendid Table
2-3 p.m.	Speaking of Faith
3-4 p.m.	On the Media
4-5 p.m.	Weekend All Things Considered
5-7 p.m.	A Prairie Home Companion
7 p.m.-8 a.m.	Jazz

**Sunday**

8-10 a.m.	Weekend Edition
10-11 a.m.	Car Talk
11 a.m.-1 p.m.	A Prairie Home Companion
1-2 p.m.	Wait Wait... Don't Tell Me!
2-3 p.m.	Splendid Table
3-4 p.m.	Fresh Air Weekend
4-5 p.m.	Weekend All Things Considered
5-7 p.m.	American Routes
7-9 p.m.	The Verge
9 p.m.-5 a.m.	Jazz

NET Radio is a service of NET. For more information about NET Radio or to listen to NET Radio programming Webcast live, go to [www.netNebraska.org/radio](http://www.netNebraska.org/radio). All that is needed is access to the Internet and a free Windows Media Player program. Webcasting of NET Radio is a free service provided by NET.

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**NET Radio:**

Broadcasts on the following frequencies: Alliance/91.1 FM; Bassett/90.3 FM; Chadron/91.9 FM; Columbus/90.3 FM; Culbertson/92.7 FM; Falls City/91.7 FM; Harrison/89.5 FM; Hastings/Grand Island/89.1 FM; Lexington/88.7 FM; Lincoln/91.1 FM; Max/93.3 FM; Merriman/91.5 FM; Norfolk/89.3 FM; and North Platte/91.7 FM.