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Here's a quick media update to add to the other Flint briefing and update coming from Dan Wyant.

CBS Evening News was in Flint Monday and Tuesday with coverage slated to air during tonight's 6 p.m news block nationally. Story isn't likely to be great, but should hopefully be fair and balanced. Will have ties into race, poverty, emergency management, and what state and locals did and knew when and how situation was handled.

We helped arrange interviews with DEQ Director Dan Wyant and DHHS' Cheryl Thompson, who is the deputy director for the Department's field services, an African American and also a Flint resident. They did those interviews from the now up and running water filter distribution centers at one of the two DHHS Flint offices.

They also did interviews with local Flint media.

Majority of media coverage both in Flint locally and statewide today to date has been on free water filter distribution so has been generally more positive.

Sen. Ananich was again urging immediate switch to Detroit water with comment "To me, the cost-benefit analysis that has cost on one side and brain damage for kids on the other -- it's incomprehensible."

Erin Brockovich did an exclusive interview for WJRT TV 12 that's supposed to air tonight in the 5 p.m. news and the teaser is "one of the worst situations she's ever seen."

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