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I'm appalled at the way the media tries to control what the public views on television no matter who the provider is. Over the years we've had many providers which merged etc. and they all have the same goal - control the public, or decrease the surplus population. I'm sick of it!! Of all the providers we've used, Dish is the fairest and best while we can still afford them. And let's not get me started on the medical commercials!!! It's no wonder we don't go to the doctor anymore!! They'll have to catch me first! Of all the rural programming that's out there, RFDTV, RIDETV, The Outdoor Channel, The Weather Channel, Christian Networks, Blue Highways TV, Fox News and anyone brave enough to carry The Jim Bakker Show are all considered the top of what we watch. If it wasn't for them we wouldn't get any news straight without bias, because you sure can't trust local news for the truth. When you folks decide those channels and programs have to go - that's when I'll do the going! Thank God I managed to video tons of movies and programs before they got dropped. I have so many taped programs, I could hold up for years without a provider. And while we still can afford the internet, I'll be watching that too. But for now, I'm sticking with Dish and RFDTV. I would like to see them bring back Eleanor Burns and her quilt shows though. Love the programming for agriculture, equine, cooking and trains, both real and model railroading. I'm so thankful I dropped my Verizon phone last year. Best thing I ever did. And Charter Comm. too. Who needs them?? Life should be simple, the phone is a phone, the internet is the internet and TV is TV! I would love to see some mini packages available on Dish in addition to the Heartland Pack and Smart Pack. That way we could stack up a few choice packages to view, similar to Roku. But that's the future, eh? Thanks for allowing us to support our favorite shows and RFDTV!