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Top DEP Stories

Tribune Review: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection names new head of regional office

<http://triblive.com/local/regional/13104654-74/dep-names-new-head-of-regional-office>

Mentions

Morning Call: New maps tell story of water quality through bugs, slugs and snails

<http://www.mcall.com/news/breaking/mc-nws-pa-macroinvertebrates-stream-health-20171220-story.html>

Pike County Courier: Pennsylvania wants students to know their watershed

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Air

Lehigh Valley Live: N.J. babies healthier after Pa. power plant stops burning coal, Lehigh study finds

http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/warren-county/index.ssf/2017/12/lehigh_power_plant_study.html

Earthworks: Blog: Earthworks cheers PA move on methane and pushes for DEP and Gov. Wolf to fulfill their promises

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Conservation & Recreation

Lancaster Farming: No-Till Farmers Detail Their Green Evolution

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Lehigh Valley Live: Here's which Lehigh Valley open spaces received \$2.9M in state grants

http://www.lehighvalleylive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/12/heres_which_lehigh_valley_open.html

Butler Eagle: Outlook is good for river smallmouth bass

<http://www.butlereagle.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20171223/SPORTS0703/712239957>

Energy

WITF: Powered by faith and the sun: Northumberland Co. church turns to solar

<http://www.witf.org/news/2017/12/powered-by-faith-and-the-sun-northumberland-co-church-turns-to-solar.php>

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Erie Times News: Changing weather expands Superfund risk

<http://www.goerie.com/business/20171224/changing-weather-expands-superfund-risk>

Oil and Gas

WITF/StateImpact: PUC ends injunction against pipeline valve in Chester County township

https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2017/12/22/puc-ends-injunction-against-pipeline-valve-in-chester-county-township/?_ga=2.36102691.260268145.1514296409-882895250.1471610849

WITF/StateImpact: FERC, saying ‘much has changed’, will review natural gas pipeline policy

https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2017/12/21/ferc-saying-much-has-changed-will-review-natural-gas-pipeline-policy/?_ga=2.36102691.260268145.1514296409-882895250.1471610849

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Waste

Lancaster Newspapers: Where and when to recycle your Christmas tree in Lancaster County

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Reading Eagle: Wyomissing to collect Christmas trees

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/wyomissing-to-collect-christmas-trees>

Allied News: Worth noting: Recycling site to close

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Water

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WNEP: Regulations Delay Restaurant Opening

<http://wnep.com/2017/12/22/regulations-delay-restaurant-opening/>

Sun-Gazette: Money to aid flood victims slowly trickling in, officials say

<http://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2017/12/money-to-aid-flood-victims-slowly-trickling-in-officials-say/>

Press Herald: Fayette pond water level problem nears solution

<https://www.pressherald.com/2017/12/25/fayette-pond-water-level-problem-nears-solution/>

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<http://www.philly.com/philly/news/pennsylvania/philadelphia/2nd-water-main-break-floods-rittenhouse-square-streets-20171221.html>

The Corry Journal: Borough leaders meets to discuss Source Water Protection

http://www.thecorryjournal.com/north_east_news_journal/news/article_ac43db52-e653-11e7-b46d-2f1acaa931ff.html

The Corry Journal: Municipal authority mulls safety features for new water project

http://www.thecorryjournal.com/news/article_395c65c2-e672-11e7-b159-0f5c76dfdf75.html

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Daily Times: Guest Column: Why natural gas pipelines are safe — and needed

<http://www.delcotimes.com/article/DC/20171225/NEWS/171229801>

Reading Eagle: Letter: Birdsboro power plant needs to be stopped

<http://www.readingeagle.com/news/article/letter-birdsboro-power-plant-needs-to-be-stopped#.WkJRDFWnFEY>

Erie Times News: Not easy being green: Legal pot brings environmental rules

<http://www.goerie.com/zz/shareable/20171222/not-easy-being-green-legal-pot-brings-environmental-rules?sp->

The Courier Express: Scarnati announces \$4.1M in local grants

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