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Top DEP Stories

Beaver County Times: Submissions open for \$5 million Beaver County Environmental Mitigation Fund
<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/environment/2024/01/05/submissions-open-for-5-million-beaver-county-environmental-mitigation-fund/72105899007/>

Renovo Record: DEP Highlights National Radon Action Month, Provides Free Radon Test Kits
<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/103889>

Mentions

Sayre Morning-Times: Pa. DEP issues technical deficiencies letter to Bishop Brothers
https://www.morning-times.com/news/article_9bceb97d-2219-5186-a440-280dc2443d2d.html

Lock Haven Express: Fracking remains key issue for former environmental protection secretary
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2024/01/fracking-remains-key-issue-for-former-environmental-protection-secretary/>

Centre Daily Times: Stay warm and save with this thermostat setting in Pennsylvania this winter, experts say
<https://www.centredaily.com/news/state/pennsylvania/article283736008.html>

Climate Change

Pennlive: People fleeing climate change disasters should be considered refugees
<https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2024/01/people-fleeing-climate-change-disasters-should-be-considered-refugees-opinion.html>

York Dispatch: climate pollution. Biden's rules are a good start
<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/opinion/editorials/2024/01/04/hydrogen-isnt-clean-if-it-adds-to-climate-pollution-bidens-rules-are-a-good-start/72105060007/>

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: Resolve to take climate action
<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-resolve-to-take-climate-action/>

Conservation and Recreation

WICU-TV: Penn State Extension to Host Free Master Watershed Steward Webinar
<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/50300274/penn-state-extension-to-host-free-master-watershed-steward-webinar>

WETM: PFBC announces new days to apply for popular grant

<https://www.mytwintiers.com/news-cat/pennsylvania-news/pfbc-announces-new-days-to-apply-for-popular-grant/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: 458-acre Girl Scout camp has been preserved in Montgomery County. Part of it will be open to the public.

<https://www.inquirer.com/real-estate/commercial/girl-scouts-camp-laughing-waters-montgomery-county-pa-preserved-20240104.html>

Energy

WESA: Proposed federal hydrogen tax credit rules could be worth billions for projects, including in Pa.

<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2024-01-05/proposed-federal-hydrogen-tax-pa>

Allegheny Front: PROPOSED FEDERAL HYDROGEN TAX CREDIT RULES COULD BE WORTH BILLIONS FOR PROJECTS, INCLUDING THOSE IN PA.

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/treasury-tax-credits-green-hydrogen-renewable-energy/>

Post-Gazette: Sen. Bob Casey says proposed rule could hurt efforts to develop hydrogen industry in Pa.

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/politics-state/2024/01/04/bob-casey-david-mccormick-senate-mike-kelly-israel-gaza/stories/202401040099>

Gant News: UGI urges customers to practice energy safety as weekend snowstorm approaches

<https://gantnews.com/2024/01/05/ugi-urges-customers-to-practice-energy-safety-as-weekend-snowstorm-approaches/>

Sunbury Daily Item: Farm Show butter sculpture honors PA dairy industry; will be converted to renewable energy through methane digester after show ends

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/farm-show-butter-sculpture-honors-pa-dairy-industry/article_47fd4274-ab27-11ee-b361-df4c9d99394c.html

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

WJET-TV: Youth program to keep litter in the public's mind created by Pennsylvania organization

<https://www.yourerie.com/community/youth-program-to-keep-litter-in-the-publics-mind-created-by-pennsylvania-organization/>

High Path Avian Influenza

Lancaster Farming: 11 Million Birds Lost to Avian Influenza in December

https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/poultry/11-million-birds-lost-to-avian-influenza-in-december/article_b4ebd49e-aa65-11ee-b881-f356cdfacac8.html

Mining

Tribune-Review: Blasting began Thursday in West Deer

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/blasting-to-begin-today-in-west-deer/>

Oil and Gas

Tribune-Review: Vanessa Lynch: Celebrating EPA's new oil and gas safeguards

<https://triblive.com/opinion/vanessa-lynch-celebrating-epas-new-oil-and-gas-safeguards/>

Water

Times Observer: Riverfront project's future in '24 unclear

<https://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2024/01/riverfront-projects-future-in-24-unclear/>

WICU-TV: Great Lakes Experiencing Lowest Ice Coverage in at Least 50 years

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/50301566/great-lakes-record-low-ice-coverage-leading-to-effects-on-local-businesses>

abc27: Boil water advisory lifted for two Dauphin County communities

<https://www.abc27.com/news/top-stories/dauphin-county-communities-asked-to-conserve-boil-water/>

CBS21: Boil water advisory lifted in Lykens, Dauphin County

<https://www.fox43.com/article/news/local/dauphin-county/dauphin-county-lykens-borough-boil-water-advisory-lifted/521-21c1f7b4-394c-47d9-b7ba-451b161cdaff>

Latrobe Bulletin: Divided Ligonier Twp. supervisors replace Beaufort on municipal authority

https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/local/divided-ligonier-twp-supervisors-replace-beaufort-on-municipal-authority/article_efdc3843-2132-58cc-a7c9-233cc58c6088.html

Tribune-Review: Lack of snow, where rainfall ends up factors in declining Beaver Run reservoir levels

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/lack-of-snow-where-rainfall-ends-up-factors-in-declining-beaver-run-reservoir-levels/>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Senator: \$8M levee investment "peace of mind" for thousands in community

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2024/01/senator-8m-levee-investment-peace-of-mind-for-thousands-in-community/>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Another big piece of levee puzzle secured

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2024/01/another-big-piece-of-levee-puzzle-secured/>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Project at former mall passed over for sites grant, LCWSA announces

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2024/01/project-at-former-mall-passed-over-for-sites-grant/>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Levee, flood mitigation the correct priority (Editorial)

<https://www.sungazette.com/opinion/editorials/2024/01/levee-flood-mitigation-the-correct-priority/>

Miscellaneous

Tribune-Review: Meteorologists say weekend's expected snow to be a 'non-event'

<https://triblive.com/local/meteorologists-say-weekends-expected-snow-to-be-a-non-event/>

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: Keep focus on important issues like elections, environment

<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-keep-focus-on-important-issues-like-elections-environment/>

Moving experience: Replacing Commercial Street Bridge on Parkway East begins this spring

<https://www.unionprogress.com/2023/12/31/moving-experience-replacing-commercial-street-bridge-on-parkway-east-begins-this-spring/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: President Joe Biden will be back in the Philly area today. Here's everything you need to know.

<https://www.inquirer.com/politics/election/live/joe-biden-pennsylvania-time-road-closures-20240105.html>