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Top DEP Stories

Morning Call: Study estimates 500 million pieces of litter on Pennsylvania roads. Here are the worst offenders.

<https://www.mcall.com/news/pennsylvania/mc-nws-pa-litter-study-20191118-jifxelq7fbbt7plts3eea6eslq-story.html>

Pennlive: 96 million-plus cigarette butts along Pennsylvania roadways

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Mentions

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<https://www.timesonline.com/news/20191119/beaver-county-conservation-district-drops-permitting-responsibility>

Tribune-Review: Pittsburgh receives grant for purchase of blue recycling bins

<https://triblive.com/local/pittsburgh-allegheny/pittsburgh-receives-grant-for-purchase-of-blue-recycling-bins/>

Doylestown Intelligencer: Cross Keys PFAS source still unknown

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Times News: Resident voice concerns about Heisler's Egg Farm at township meeting
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<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-trust-nasa-on-global-warming/>

Philadelphia Magazine: DePasquale: Climate Change Costs Pa. Hundreds of Millions of Dollars a Year
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My ChesCO: Auditor General DePasquale: State's Unfocused Efforts on Climate Change Crisis Risk Lives, Drive Costs to Taxpayers, Economy
<https://mychesco.com/a/news/pennsylvania/auditor-general-depasquale-states-unfocused-efforts-on-climate-change-crisis-risk-lives-drive-costs-to-taxpayers-economy/>

Conservation & Recreation

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Shade tree commission bends; group gives owners right to refuse planting
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Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Countdown to Thanksgiving: Thankful for our waterways, our river, our great outdoors (Editorial)
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Environmental Cleanup & Brownfields

Post-Gazette/AP: Report: 60% of U.S. Superfund sites imperiled by climate change

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2019/11/18/AP-Exclusive-Climate-change-peril-Superfund-sites-US-environment/stories/201911180083>

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