

Some clips may be behind a paywall. If you need access to these clips, email me at thomadecke@pa.gov

Top DEP Stories

WFMZ: Commonwealth Court rejects PA Waste LLC appeal to build Boggs Twp. landfill

https://www.wfmz.com/news/state/commonwealth-court-rejects-pa-waste-llc-appeal-to-build-boggs-twp-landfill/article_0ed7ebf9-5481-5ad9-9dc9-ec892e3b2466.html

Clearfield Progress-News: Commonwealth Court rejects PA Waste LLC appeal to build Boggs Twp. landfill

https://www.theprogressnews.com/news/local/commonwealth-court-rejects-pa-waste-llc-appeal-to-build-boggs-twp-landfill/article_2f1af80c-4415-11ed-86f9-ebcbf01f0ee9.html

Altoona Mirror: Court rejects disputed landfill permit

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2022/10/court-rejects-disputed-landfill-permit/>

Mention

WICU-TV: PA Dems Host Hearing on Environmental Justice, Community Members Weigh In

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/47424370/pa-dems-host-hearing-on-environmental-justice-community-members-weigh-in>

Wall Street Journal: Nationwide Work Starts to Plug Abandoned Gas and Oil Wells

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/nationwide-work-starts-to-plug-abandoned-gas-and-oil-wells-11664752228?page=1>

Sunbury Daily Item: AOAA Mammoth Trail is rock solid destination

https://www.dailyitem.com/business/aoaa-mammoth-trail-is-rock-solid-destination/article_f161dd02-4011-11ed-8849-abd7ef3d35fc.html

Air

Post-Gazette: Pittsburgh startup uses the power of algae to clean up indoor air

<https://www.post-gazette.com/business/tech-news/2022/10/06/algenair-startup-algae-filter-air-pittsburgh-international-airport/stories/202210060070>

Climate Change

Lancaster Farming: Farmers to March on Washington for Climate and Resiliency in March 2023

https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/news/farmers-to-march-on-washington-for-climate-and-resiliency-in-march-2023/article_39bcea04-4032-11ed-8eae-bfcb9cec5c75.html

AP: Low-income communities learn to tackle climate-fueled heat

<https://apnews.com/article/entertainment-united-states-race-and-ethnicity-phoenix-68405f7e61e47fb157dd553c8393e256>

Conservation & Recreation

Lebtown.com: The Lebanon Valley Conservancy welcomes new executive director

<https://lebtown.com/2022/10/06/the-lebanon-valley-conservancy-welcomes-new-executive-director/>

Carlisle Sentinel: DCNR works to restore ecology of Camp Michaux

https://cumberlink.com/news/local/dcnr-works-to-restore-ecology-of-camp-michaux/article_a5117954-44de-11ed-8c74-c7c8e8eeab7c.html#tracking-source=home-top-story

Bedford Gazette: Game lands tour set for Sunday

https://www.bedfordgazette.com/news/local/game-lands-tour-set-for-sunday/article_a582edaa-98a7-59fd-949f-0b3c26e1393f.html

WFMZ: Berks property transformed into public nature preserve

https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/berks-property-transformed-into-public-nature-preserve/article_1746aa86-44f2-11ed-8ebd-4f2ff0e58452.html

KDKA: Pa. Fish and Boat Commission stocking rivers with aquatic alpha predator

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/pa-fish-and-boat-commission-stocking-rivers-with-aquatic-alpha-predator/>

Post-Gazette: An aquatic alpha predator is being reintroduced to the Ohio River

<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2022/10/05/blue-catfish-pennsylvania-reintroduction-pittsburgh-fingerlings/stories/202210050125>

Tribune-Review: Fall trout stocking under way by Pa. Fish and Boat Commission

<https://triblive.com/news/pennsylvania/fall-trout-stocking-under-way-by-pa-fish-and-boat-commission/>

Tribune-Review: Meet the winners of the 2022 Sustainable Gardening Awards from Phipps Conservatory

<https://triblive.com/news/partner-news/meet-the-winners-of-the-2022-sustainable-gardening-awards-from-hipps-conservatory/>

Tribune-Review: Westmoreland Land Trust invites public to explore site of proposed nature and art park

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/westmoreland-land-trust-invites-public-to-explore-site-of-proposed-nature-and-art-park/>

Tribune-Review: Shaler Area students rally to protect Girty's Run farmland

<https://triblive.com/local/sewickley/shaler-area-students-rally-to-protect-girtys-run-farmland/>

Post-Gazette: David B. Fawcett: Pittsburgh is building one of the great linear parks in the world

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/Op-Ed/2022/10/06/alleghey-county-green-spaces-bikeways-riverside/stories/202210060019>

Sunbury Daily Item: Guide to fall colors on Susquehanna Greenway

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/guide-to-fall-colors-on-susquehanna-greenway/article_f40d86a4-433c-11ed-8070-833a12b22904.html

PA Environment Digest: Susquehanna Greenway Partnership

<http://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2022/10/susquehanna-greenway-partnership.html>

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfield

The Derrick: Sale of former gas station site in Marienville approved

https://www.thederrick.com/news/community_news/sale-of-former-gas-station-site-in-marienville-approved/article_0c4053d2-44c8-11ed-99d1-cb9281bfe77d.html

Record Argus: Town of Greenville looks to buy Trinity North

<https://www.recordargusnews.com/articles/town-of-greenville-looks-to-buy-trinity-north/>

Lancaster Newspapers: PennDOT postpones plans to clean up motor oil spill in West Earl Township

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/penndot-postpones-plans-to-clean-up-motor-oil-spill-in-west-earl-township/article_d6d0480e-441f-11ed-bf6a-e791ed3144e1.html

High Path Avian Influenza

Lancaster Newspaper: New cases of avian bird flu confirmed in Lancaster, York counties

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/new-cases-of-avian-bird-flu-confirmed-in-lancaster-york-counties/article_dc837464-44ac-11ed-bfa2-5b9e6f99aacc.html

Lancaster Farming: What Makes the 2022 Avian Influenza Strain So Bad?

https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/poultry/what-makes-the-2022-avian-influenza-strain-so-bad/article_4c1e57ce-440f-11ed-b851-07db3a80b17e.html

Lancaster Farming: Ventilation Shutdown Finds Growing Role in Avian Influenza Outbreak

https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/poultry/ventilation-shutdown-finds-growing-role-in-avian-influenza-outbreak/article_cfd44a-442d-11ed-a5c5-63a17c37b0e4.html

abc27: Two avian flu outbreaks appear in the Midstate

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/two-avian-flu-outbreaks-appear-in-the-midstate/>

Energy

Carlisle Sentinel: Cumberland County to seek state grant to convert part of its vehicle fleet to electric

https://cumberlink.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/cumberland-county-to-seek-state-grant-to-convert-part-of-its-vehicle-fleet-to-electric/article_c07df86c-4352-11ed-a63c-8b3c3f094a28.html

WFMZ: ETS&D tentatively moves ahead with solar panel plan

https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/etsd-tentatively-moves-ahead-with-solar-panel-plan/article_1bfbfd66-452d-11ed-9390-3f49a352aea8.html

KDKA: Latrobe planning to add up to 9 electric vehicle charging stations

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/latrobe-planning-to-add-electric-vehicle-power-stations/>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Shale companies join hydrogen hub group

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2022/10/05/shale-companies-join-hydrogen-hub-group.html>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Report: PennEnergy takes 45,000 square feet of Westinghouse sublease space at Cranberry Woods campus

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2022/10/05/jll-pennenergy-westinghouse-cranberry-woods.html>

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: Inflation Reduction Act is wonderful, but it's not enough

<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-inflation-reduction-act-is-wonderful-but-its-not-enough/>

Bloomberg: Bill Gates Warns Producers That Blue Hydrogen Must Be Clean

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-10-06/bill-gates-warns-producers-that-blue-hydrogen-must-be-clean>

Shamokin News Item: Conservation Corner: How to save money on energy efficiency upgrades

https://www.newsitem.com/arts_living/conservation-corner-how-to-save-money-on-energy-efficiency-upgrades/

Oil and Gas

WITF/StateImpact: An ethane cracker in western Pa. will soon start up. We answered your questions about it

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2022/10/06/an-ethane-cracker-in-western-pa-will-soon-start-up-we-answered-your-questions-about-it/>

WITF/StateImpact: Public briefed on fracking health studies, despite no-show from Pitt, DOH

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2022/10/06/public-briefed-on-fracking-health-studies-despite-no-show-from-pitt-doh/>

Post-Gazette: Canonsburg residents seek answers on health impacts of fracking, shale gas

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/health/2022/10/05/fracking-shale-gas-cancer-cluster-ewing-sarcoma-washington-county-canonsburg/stories/202210050128>

Allegheny Front: Public gets briefed on fracking health studies, despite no-show from Pitt, DOH

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/public-gets-briefed-on-fracking-health-studies-despite-no-show-from-pitt-doh/>

StateImpact PA: Public briefed on fracking health studies, despite no-show from Pitt, DOH

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2022/10/06/public-briefed-on-fracking-health-studies-despite-no-show-from-pitt-doh/>

AP: OPEC+ makes big oil cut to boost prices; pump costs may rise

<https://apnews.com/article/russia-ukraine-inflation-health-germany-elections-d873521f8b165774de3902439dd5a6ee>

KDKA: Spike at the station: OPEC's production cut likely to fuel higher gas prices

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/spike-at-the-station-opecs-production-cut-likely-to-fuel-higher-gas-prices/>

Post-Gazette: Joseph Otis Minott: Big gas will throttle our economy no more

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/Op-Ed/2022/10/06/bloomberg-clean-air-council-shell-cracker-beaver-boondogle/stories/202210060018>

Wall Street Journal: U.S. Gasoline Prices Are Climbing Again and May Get Worse

https://www.wsj.com/articles/u-s-gasoline-prices-are-climbing-again-and-may-get-worse-11665048601?mod=hp_lead_pos2

USA TODAY: Why are gas prices going up? More pain at the pump as OPEC cuts oil production by 2 million barrels

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/money/2022/10/05/gas-prices-going-up-opec-production/8191610001/>

Reuters: OPEC+ oil output cut ahead of winter fans inflation concerns

<https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/opec-cuts-ahead-winter-fan-global-inflation-concerns-2022-10-06/>

Wall Street Journal: OPEC+ Agrees to Biggest Oil Production Cut Since Start of Pandemic

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/opec-agrees-to-biggest-oil-production-cut-since-start-of-pandemic-11664978144>

Waste

Altoona Mirror: Court rejects disputed landfill permit

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2022/10/court-rejects-disputed-landfill-permit/>

KDKA: Pittsburghers could soon pay up if they don't clean up

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/pittsburghers-could-pay-up-if-dont-clean-up-trash/>

Mon Valley Independent: Rostraver Township residential refuse bills to stay same in 2023

<https://monvalleyindependent.com/2022/10/rostraver-township-residential-refuse-bills-to-stay-same-in-2023/>

Sunbury Daily Item: Mahoning Township leaf collection schedule updated

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/mahoning-township-leaf-collection-schedule-updated/article_c4585cee-44f5-11ed-88d7-03951b8c5db9.html

Sunbury Daily Item: Country Cupboard property to be demolished beginning next week

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/country-cupboard-property-to-be-demolished-beginning-next-week/article_455ab05a-44cc-11ed-81fc-47ad10f5c27b.html

Centre Daily Times: October brings higher farm fatality rates. One piece of equipment is the 'primary source'

https://www.centredaily.com/news/state/pennsylvania/article266818961.html?ac_cid=DM707745&ac_bid=1042204232

Centre Daily Times: Centre County residents feel misled about State College Area Connector Project. Here's why

https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/article266843591.html?ac_cid=DM707745&ac_bid=1042204232

Water

Indiana Gazette: Grant to help combat drainage from timbering site

<https://www.indianagazette.com/news/grant-to-help-combat-drainage-from-timbering-site/article>

Times News: Lot owner defends zoning request Jim Thorpe council to vote Thursday on septic changes near Mauch Chunk Lake

<https://www.tnonline.com/20221006/lot-owner-defends-zoning-request-jim-thorpe-council-to-vote-thursday-on-sep/>

York Dispatch: Landfill discharge into Kreutz Creek violates DEP standards, remedy expected in 2023

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2022/10/05/landfill-discharge-into-kreutz-creek-violates-dep-standards-remedy-expected-in-2023/69531336007/>

Huntingdon Daily News: Sheetz project plans progress

https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/sheetz-project-plans-progress/article_6b152931-1749-553f-aa36-c657e490a237.html

York Dispatch: River Keepers keep an eye on Kreutz Creek

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/videos/news/local/2022/10/05/river-keepers-keep-eye-kreutz-creek/8188111001/>

Carlisle Sentinel: Children's Lake in Boiling Springs drained as repair project begins

<https://cumberlink.com/news/local/photos-childrens-lake-in-boiling-springs-drained-as-repair-project-begins/collection>

FOX43: Landfill discharge into Kreutz Creek violated state environmental standards

<https://www.fox43.com/article/news/local/local-landfill-wastewater-dumped-into-kreutz-creek-violated-dep-standards-wrightsville-york-county/>

WJAC: How recent rain has affected local water levels

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/how-recent-rain-has-affected-local-water-levels#>

Latrobe Bulletin: High pressure causing waterline breaks along state Route 271

https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/local/high-pressure-causing-waterline-breaks-along-state-route-271/article_755574fd-1bc4-5c0b-8538-30774986025c.html

Beaver County Times: What happens when there are no fire hydrants in an area?

<https://www.timesonline.com/story/lifestyle/public-safety/2022/10/06/what-happens-when-there-are-no-fire-hydrants-in-an-area-departments-beaver-lawrence-allegheeny-county/65382476007/>

Miscellaneous

Bradford Era: Low training flights over PA Wilds still under consideration

https://www.bradfordera.com/news/low-training-flights-over-pa-wilds-still-under-consideration/article_0d78401a-e269-5a7a-853a-42ed18fa964b.html

Pennlive: Farm used human waste as fertilizer, officials say, prompting public warning
<https://www.pennlive.com/nation-world/2022/10/farm-used-human-waste-as-fertilizer-officials-say-prompting-public-warning.html>

Gettysburg Times: Liberty denies shooting range
https://www.gettysburgtimes.com/news/local/article_abedf21b-0592-544f-b7ea-8ea58cd45126.html

CBS21: Hearing to discuss environmental justice in Pennsylvania
<https://local21news.com/news/local/hearing-to-discuss-environmental-justice-in-pennsylvania#>