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Top DEP Stories

Daily American: How a nearly \$1.5 million state grant will benefit Somerset REC members
<https://www.dailyamerican.com/story/news/local/2024/08/21/somerset-rural-electric-cooperative-awarded-dep-grant-for-system-upgrades/74860786007/>

Mentions

Republican Herald: Lake Wynonah property owners voice water quality and billing concerns to municipal authority
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Climate Change

WESA: Climate change to get its moment in the sun at Democratic convention on Thursday
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https://www.bradfordera.com/news/grants-available-for-forest-restoration-projects/article_aac4c150-5fe2-11ef-b7f0-932d48c0c311.html

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Erie Times: Common terns fledge in Erie for the first time in 60 years in Pennsylvania

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<https://www.newhopefreepress.com/2024/08/21/solebury-sees-drop-in-deer-population/>

Sunbury Daily Item: Lewisburg tree lawn ordinance returning to committee discussion

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Record-Argus: Thiel considers installing solar panels on campus

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<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2024/08/21/arch-2-regional-hydrogen-hub-headquarters.html>

Beaver County Times: Center Twp. to receive electric vehicle charging station as a part of federal grant

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Republican Herald: Lake Wynonah property owners voice water quality and billing concerns to municipal authority

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