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Top DEP Stories

WPXI: Code Orange Air Quality Action Day declared for Friday in western Pennsylvania
<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/code-orange-air-quality-action-day-declared-friday-western-pennsylvania/UXWPVY6JFZDSNHEVRVBTKNOZFQ/>

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Mentions

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<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/local/carbon-county/new-warehouse-proposed-in-carbon-county-kidder-township/523-6f6aac5e-132c-4005-9156-662672fe4380>

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DuBois Courier-Express: New Sheetz approved by Clarion County planners
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https://www.dailyitem.com/opinion/continued-investment-in-conservation/article_64375a94-65f1-11ef-81cf-776d6c0373bf.html

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East Palestine Train Derailment

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Climate Change

Spotlight PA: Abortion, climate change cases await decisions from Pa.'s highest courts

<https://www.spotlightpa.org/news/2024/08/pennsylvania-supreme-commonwealth-court-abortion-climate-change-guns/>

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Beaver County Times: Over the Garden Gate: The 'key' to a great garden, keystone plants

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Chester County Daily Local: Schuylkill River Greenways and Take it Outdoors Adventures bring educational adventure on the river

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Utility Dive: PJM capacity prices could jump 157% in next auction: Morgan Stanley

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<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/pjm-interconnection-reliability-energy-capacity/725614/>

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<https://insideclimatenews.org/news/29082024/inside-clean-energy-solar-electricity-growth/>

WJAC: New solar array unveiled at Prince Gallitzin State Park

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<https://www.observer-reporter.com/news/local-news/2024/aug/30/solar-for-schools-energy-program-introduced-at-gcctc/>

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Mining

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Oil and Gas

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<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-08-30/harris-rules-out-fracking-ban-threading-needle-on-fossil-fuels?embedded-checkout=true>

WHYY: Philly Gas Commission passes rules that limit public participation in PGW budget process
<https://whyy.org/articles/philly-gas-comission-public-participation-budget/>

Vector Management

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<https://www.propublica.org/article/epa-rejects-mass-balance-plastics-recycling-safer-choice>

WTAJ: Hazardous waste collection event to take place in Clearfield County

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Tribune-Review: Underwater drone to assist crews in the Allegheny Valley during river emergencies

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/underwater-drone-to-assist-crews-in-the-allegheny-valley-during-river-emergencies/>

Lebtown.com: Palmyra council hears report on local geology, discusses refuse company bids

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Altoona Mirror: AWA investigating Plane 9 dam issue

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2024/08/awa-investigating-plane-9-dam-issue/>

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abc27: Juniata County residents suffer significant damages following overnight storms'

<https://www.abc27.com/news/top-stories/numerous-roads-closed-in-juniata-county-following-overnight-storms/>

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<https://local21news.com/news/local/roads-closed-in-juniata-county-after-storms#>

WGAL: Some areas of South-Central Pennsylvania may have gotten 5 to 7 inches of rain in just 6 hours

<https://www.wgal.com/article/pennsylvania-storms-flooding-explainer/62016827>

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WCAU News 10: Market Street Ramp to I-95 South in Philly to close for several weeks in September. From Wednesday, Sept. 11, through Sunday, Sept. 22, the Philadelphia Water Department will be performing sewer improvements on the Market Street Ramp to Interstate 95 South.

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Miscellaneous

Post-Gazette: Nearly 40 Pittsburgh Public Schools on half-day schedule Friday because of heat

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York Daily Record: Judge agrees rezoning of land next to Prospect Hill Cemetery for warehouse was improper

<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2024/08/29/judge-rezoning-of-land-next-to-prospect-hill-cemetery-illegal-inch-warehouse/74997062007/>

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Lancaster Farming: 'Oddball' Cover Crops Featured at Penn State Research Farm

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