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Top DEP Stories

Scoop/Public Herald: DEP Releases Update on Eureka Resources — Fails To Use The "Right Test" For Radiation

<https://scoop.publicherald.org/p/dep-releases-update-on-eureka-resources>

Middle Susquehanna Riverkeeper Blog: Regional DEP provides end-of-week statement, inspection reports, other updates on Williamsport spill situation

<https://www.middlesusquehannariverkeeper.org/blog/regional-dep-provides-end-of-week-statement-inspection-reports-other-updates-on-williamsport-spill-situation>

Mentions

Centre Daily Times: West Nile virus found in Centre County mosquitoes. What is the current risk?

<https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/article311763268.html>

Air

NBCC10: Firefighters battle massive warehouse fire in Philadelphia

<https://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local/firefighters-battle-massive-warehouse-fire-in-philadelphia/4259038/>

Climate Change

PublicSource: As extreme weather worsens in Pittsburgh area, ‘Superman isn’t showing up’

<https://www.publicsource.org/extreme-weather-climate-change-pittsburgh-wilkinsburg-penn-hills/>

Conservation and Recreation

WJAC: Johnstown Central Park fountain dismantled ahead of renovation work

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/johnstown-central-park-fountain-dismantled-removed-renovation-project-construction-pennsylvania#>

The Derrick: Two Mile Run's Justus Lake is made a bit more natural through new fish habitats

https://www.thederrick.com/news/front_page/two-mile-runs-justus-lake-is-made-a-bit-more-natural-through-new-fish-habitats/article_d1f83362-cb9f-46f1-b594-f28113bb8aa2.html

Warren Times: Allegheny River Cleanup is September 11th through the 13th

<https://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2025/08/allegheeny-river-cleanup-is-september-11th-through-the-13th/>

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Delco Times: Community action brings improvements to Sun Village Park

<https://www.delcotimes.com/2025/08/25/community-action-brings-improvements-to-sun-village-park/>

Republican Herald: Two Schuylkill farms join ranks of 'forever farms'

<https://www.republicanherald.com/2025/08/25/two-schuylkill-farms-join-ranks-of-forever-farms/>

The Morning Call: 9 more Lehigh Valley farms saved from development. Find out where

<https://www.mcall.com/2025/08/22/more-lehigh-valley-farms-saved-from-development-list/>

Altoona Mirror: Altoona not planning to abandon parks

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2025/08/altoona-abandon-parks-not-planning/>

WFMZ: Groundbreaking held for \$1.4 million project to enhance outdoor recreational space in Oakbrook Houses

https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/groundbreaking-held-for-1-4-million-project-to-enhance-outdoor-recreational-space-in-oakbrook-houses/article_024bb5fd-b363-4f5b-95c5-7582c755843a.html

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Reflections in Nature: Birds, mammals, amphibians differ with raising their young

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/outdoors/2025/08/reflections-in-nature-birds-mammals-amphibians-differ-with-raising-their-young/>

Lock Haven Express: ATV trails across the region receive state funding

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2025/08/atv-trails-across-the-region-state-receive-funding/>

Data Centers

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Wayne D. Fontana: Pittsburgh is poised for a Third Renaissance

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/insight/2025/08/24/pittsburgh-ai-renaissance-mcginley-wayne-fontana/stories/202508240047>

Tribune-Review: Mary Ellen Klas: NIMBYs are coming for the data centers AI needs

<https://triblive.com/opinion/mary-ellen-klas-nimbys-are-coming-for-the-data-centers-ai-needs/>

Bucks County Beacon: Not Everyone Is Sold on the Benefits of Amazon's Data Center Coming to Falls Township

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Times Leader: Luzerne County Council urged to put pressure on PPL over proposed transmission line
<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1714074/luzerne-county-council-urged-to-put-pressure-on-ppl-over-proposed-transmission-line>

Energy

Tribune-Democrat: Report: Pa. set dubious new record for major power outages in 2024
https://www.tribdem.com/news/report-pa-set-dubious-new-record-for-major-power-outages-in-2024/article_02b6ddf8-f0bc-5ffa-af05-641e7e8129e8.html

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https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local_news/dubious-record-reset-for-power-outages-in-pa/article_1489238c-1ab1-5840-8c23-87bd76b13590.html

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<https://buckscountybeacon.com/2025/08/pa-state-sen-nikil-saval-introduces-solar-panel-bill/>

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Mining

Republican Herald: Coal Miners' Heritage Festival is Sunday
<https://www.republicanherald.com/2025/08/25/coal-miners-heritage-festival-is-sunday/>

Vector Management

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: More mosquitoes test positive for West Nile virus in the North Side
<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/health/2025/08/25/west-nile-virus-pittsburgh-mosquitoes-testing/stories/202508250034>

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Carlisle Sentinel: Cumberland County to conduct evening mosquito spraying Tuesday and Wednesday
https://cumberlink.com/news/local/article_c6a5dfdd-746d-4832-b817-44bbf3930af5.html

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<https://www.wgal.com/article/mosquito-spraying-taking-place-portions-cumberland-county-tuesday-wednesday/65893177>

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Waste

Tribune-Review: Harrison seeking \$1.4 million for sewer upgrades, township projects
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/harrison-seeking-1-4-million-for-sewer-upgrades-township-projects/>

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<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2025/08/property-owner-altoona-water-authority-may-have-caused-foundation-issue/>

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<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2025/08/intergovernmental-stormwater-committee-awards-brush-run-project-contract/>

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<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/allegheny-county-lead-removal-program-milestone/>

Allegheny Front: Steelworkers rally in Downtown Pittsburgh to call for better worker safety
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/osha-united-steelworkers-rally-worker-safety/>

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<https://www.standardpeaker.com/2025/08/25/pa-turnpike-expands-payment-methods-cash/>

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<https://fox56.com/news/local/residents-of-jermyn-mobile-home-village-fear-eviction-after-sale-of-property#>

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<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/08/25/sheetz-suing-developer-of-new-location-in-south-abington-twp-over-lease/>