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Top DEP Stories

CBS News: Radon testing urged for all Pennsylvania homes this January, DEP says
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/radon-testing-in-pennsylvania/>

Mentions

Scranton Times: DEP to begin work on Mayfield mine subsidence
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/01/15/dep-to-begin-work-on-mayfield-mine-subsidence-this-week/>

KDKA: Radon testing urged for all Pennsylvania homes this January, DEP says
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/radon-testing-in-pennsylvania/>

Lock Haven Express: Lawyers for troubled Pa. water company ask court to force a takeover, calling system 'a clear and present danger'
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2025/01/lawyers-for-troubled-pa-water-company-ask-court-to-force-a-takeover-calling-system-a-clear-and-present-danger/>

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: Problem of non-potable water at Sunfish Pond County Park solved
<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/problem-of-non-potable-water-at-county-park-solved/>

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: Litter Hawk Youth Award Program Accepting Project Entries
<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/litter-hawk-youth-award-program-accepting-project-entries/>

Climate Change

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: 'We are all in this together:' Homewood native helps address climate change on world stage
<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/goodness/2025/01/16/indo-pacific-leadership-lab-jacquelyn-omotalade-homewood-climate-change/stories/202501070056>

Conservation and Recreation

PA Environment Digest Blog: Indiana County Conservation District Launches, Chapter 102, 105 Permit Submittal Tool To Help Applicants Put Together Complete Applications
<https://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2025/01/indiana-county-conservation-district.html>

Meadville Tribune: PA Environmental Council Awards Water Trail Mini-Grant To Oil Region Alliance

https://www.meadvilletribune.com/community/pennsylvania-environmental-council-awards-grant-to-oil-region-alliance/article_8d5d3f04-cee9-11ef-ba0c-a3cda20eb766.html

WPXI: Pennsylvania Game Commission asking public to report any turkey flocks they see across state
<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/pennsylvania-game-commission-asking-public-report-any-turkey-flocks-they-see-across-state/Y2ZJ4S22YBF4ZPBILH57FFHC5M/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Pickleball plans are expanding
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/011525/page/1/story/pickleball-plans-are-expanding>

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: NRCS Announces BMP Funding Opportunity for Preserved Farms
<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/nrcs-announces-funding-opportunity-for-preserved-farms/>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Avian influenza suspected in snow geese deaths; Game Commission shares what to do if you find possibly diseased birds
<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2025/01/avian-influenza-suspected-in-snow-geese-deaths-game-commission-shares-what-to-do-if-you-find-possibly-diseased-birds/>

Shamokin News-Item: Construction of culvert underneath Route 125 at AOAA to begin this year
https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/construction-of-culvert-underneath-route-125-at-aoaa-to-begin-this-year/article_88c9c0c2-d1f8-11ef-86ba-17e6766165b0.html

Energy

Butler Eagle: SRU receives grant from West Penn Energy Fund
<https://www.butlereagle.com/20250116/sru-receives-grant-from-west-penn-energy-fund/>

York Dispatch: Could a hydroelectric dam on the Susquehanna River increase tax revenue in York County?
<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2025/01/15/could-a-hydroelectric-dam-on-the-susquehanna-river-increase-tax-revenue-in-york-county/77699807007/>

Observer-Reporter: Zoning board holds public hearing on potential solar farm in Nicholson Township
https://www.observer-reporter.com/news/local_news/2025/jan/16/zoning-board-holds-public-hearing-on-potential-solar-farm-in-nicholson-township/

WESA: Pa. Consumer Advocate resigns, alleges pressure from utility companies
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2025-01-15/pennsylvania-consumer-advocate-resigns>

Allegheny Front: Coal was on its way out. But surging electricity demand is keeping it alive
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/coal-power-energy-demand-renewable-energy/>

WHYY: \$11 million for EV chargers in final surge of Biden administration grants
<https://billypenn.com/2025/01/15/ev-chargers-philadelphia-infrastructure-grants-nevi-cfi-otis/>

Shamokin News-Item: Property owner: Natalie solar project nearly done, expected to go online this summer

https://www.newsitem.com/news/property-owner-natalie-solar-project-nearly-done-expected-to-go-online-this-summer/article_8a9aa8f4-d355-11ef-ad48-1ba3d578aafc.html

Penn State News: \$2.5M grant to help reduce emissions, inefficiencies in industrial systems
<https://www.psu.edu/news/engineering/story/qa-25m-grant-help-reduce-emissions-inefficiencies-industrial-systems>

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: School Board Moves Forward With \$1.3M Boiler Project
<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/school-board-moves-forward-with-1-3m-boiler-project/>

Renovo Record: Shapiro says this 'broken process' could lead to higher electricity costs. Here's what to know.
<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/120500>

Mining

Times News: Mine memorabilia donated to museum
<https://www.tnonline.com/20250114/mine-memorabilia-donated-to-museum/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Centralia has a moment of 'Jeopardy!' glory
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/011625/page/3/story/centralia-has-a-moment-of-jeopardy-glory>

Oil and Gas

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: Dimock water project on schedule, says PA American
<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/dimock-water-project-on-schedule/>

Radiation Protection

York Daily Record: Activist urges York County commissioners to help block the restart of TMI's Unit 1 reactor
<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2025/01/15/commissioners-asked-to-not-cooperate-with-planning-to-restart-tmi/77718573007/>

York Daily Record: See activist urge York County Commissioners to help block the restart of TMI's Unit 1
<https://www.ydr.com/videos/news/local/2025/01/15/tmi-activist-urges-york-county-commissions-to-block-restart/77721820007/>

Water

The Derrick: Franklin water rates will rise again next year due to resolution attached to loans
https://www.thederrick.com/news/front_page/franklin-water-rates-will-rise-again-next-year-due-to-resolution-attached-to-loans/article_c2c71cf4-d2e1-11ef-96d2-af6353c90f1a.html

Latrobe Bulletin: Frigid temps cause water line breaks

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KDKA: Frigid temperatures across Pittsburgh area cause several water main breaks

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/frigid-temperatures-pittsburgh-area-water-main-breaks/>

WTAE: 'Temporary water changes' expected after water main break in Allegheny County

<https://www.wtae.com/article/allegheny-county-dormont-borough-watermain-break/63435647>

WTAE: West Mifflin road closed for hours following eight-inch water main break

<https://www.wtae.com/article/west-mifflin-road-eight-inch-water-main-break/63436958>

Bucks County Herald: New owner for unsung Delaware River island off Plumstead

https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/new-owner-for-unsung-delaware-river-island-off-plumstead/article_3c8bdbcc-d2bc-11ef-bec0-f3d7c1760115.html

Centre Daily Times: These tips could help keep your pipes from freezing as PA sees bitter arctic air next week

https://www.centredaily.com/news/weather-news/article298578738.html#campaignName=statecollege_morning_newsletter

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Sewer board job spurs a meltdown

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/011025/page/1/story/sewer-board-job-spurs-a-meltdown>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Riverside to list alleged sewer scofflaws

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/010825/page/1/story/riverside-to-list-alleged-sewer-scofflaws>

Gant News: Outdoor blessing of Clearfield Creek invokes God's blessings for county and all creation

<https://gantnews.com/2025/01/14/outdoor-blessing-of-clearfield-creek-invokes-gods-blessings-for-county-and-all-creation/>

Miscellaneous

ABC27: Roadway reopens after Sinkhole closed road near Derry Township schools

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/sinkhole-closes-road-near-derry-township-schools/>

CBS21: Students dismissed early after sinkhole spotted near Hershey Middle, Elementary schools

<https://local21news.com/news/local/students-dismissing-early-after-sinkhole-spotted-near-hershey-middle-elementary-schools#>

WGAL: Sinkhole closes road, affects traffic for Dauphin County schools

<https://www.wgal.com/article/pennsylvania-dauphin-county-hersey-sinkhole-road-closed-traffic-schools/63434188>

Latrobe Bulletin: Lead Safe Westmoreland: Taking action for safer homes

https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/local/lead-safe-westmoreland-taking-action-for-safer-homes/article_42f86de0-d3a2-11ef-a2f5-3ba4324ffe9c.html

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<https://whyy.org/articles/climate-fixers-noor-by-grant-blvd-fashion-sustainability/>

Centre Daily Times: Demolition work at Beaver Stadium is in second week; take a look

https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/education/penn-state/article298187623.html#campaignName=statecollege_morning_newsletter

Centre Daily Times: "Ferocious blast of cold air" could set records in PA next week

https://www.centredaily.com/news/weather-news/article298583378.html#campaignName=statecollege_morning_newsletter