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## **Top DEP Stories**

Allegheny Front: PA. AMERICAN WATER TO SPEND \$300K FOR WATERSHED PROJECTS FOR POLLUTING LACKAWANNA COUNTY WATERWAYS

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/lackawanna-county-pennsylvania-american-water-settlement/>

## **Mentions**

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<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/as-solar-farms-begin-to-blossom-in-region-some-townships-look-to-adopt-regulations/>

Erie Times News: Quin-T site in east Erie: Cleaning up a decades-long hazard  
<https://www.goerie.com/story/news/local/erie-next/2024/07/02/quin-t-property-in-east-erie-posed-various-dangers-for-years-joe-walko-dep-epa-schember-zimmerman/70920043007/>

Erie Times News: Erie's Quin-T property: a timeline of prior environmental, safety concerns  
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The Meadville Tribune: Pennsylvania's mine-scarred land presents challenges for solar development despite financial incentives  
[https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/pennsylvanias-mine-scarred-land-presents-challenges-for-solar-development-despite-financial-incentives/article\\_453ba8eb-7787-511f-9b94-05539b0a6999.html](https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/pennsylvanias-mine-scarred-land-presents-challenges-for-solar-development-despite-financial-incentives/article_453ba8eb-7787-511f-9b94-05539b0a6999.html)

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## **Air**

Post-Gazette: Supreme Court's pause of 'good neighbor' air quality rule praised by U.S. Steel, panned by environmental groups  
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## **Climate Change**

Bucks County Beacon: Earth Quaker Action Team to Protest at Vanguard's Headquarters on Wednesday

<https://buckscountybeacon.com/2024/07/earth-quaker-action-team-to-protest-at-vanguards-headquarters-on-wednesday/>

Lancaster Online: Lancaster County sees third-hottest June recorded following blazing heat waves  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/lancaster-county-sees-third-hottest-june-recorded-following-blazing-heat-waves/article\\_487661e4-37d7-11ef-a4f8-43987f8b11d7.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/lancaster-county-sees-third-hottest-june-recorded-following-blazing-heat-waves/article_487661e4-37d7-11ef-a4f8-43987f8b11d7.html)

Lancaster Online: Here are the 16 hottest days in Lancaster County since 1999  
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Post-Gazette: The 9/11 National Memorial Trail expands, picking up trails in 3 national parks in the region  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2024/07/01/9-11-memorial-trail-expansion-southwestern-pa/stories/202407010055>

WJAC: 9/11 National Memorial Trail now open at Flight 93 Memorial and two other nearby parks  
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KDKA: 9/11 National Memorial Trail one step closer to being completed  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/911-national-memorial-trail-news/>

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CBS Philly 57: Chester residents, officials want a crackdown on illegal dumping on city streets  
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Butler Eagle: Evans City votes again to join new stormwater authority  
<https://www.butlereagle.com/20240701/evans-city-votes-again-to-join-new-stormwater-authority/>

Republican Herald: Firefighters pump water from basement of Pottsville building  
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