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Top DEP Stories

The Almanac: State Secures \$244M for Abandoned Mines

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The Meadville Tribune: Health agencies encourage solar panel recycling

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Financial Times: Climate change is pushing up food prices – and worrying central banks

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