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## **Top DEP Stories**

Pennlive: Pa. House discusses overhaul of energy development board in light of Senate bill, federal dollars

<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2024/06/pa-house-discusses-overhaul-of-energy-development-board-in-light-of-senate-bill-federal-dollars.html>

## **Mentions**

Scranton Times: West Nile virus detected in Lackawanna County, but not in humans

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Beaver County Times: Community Matters: Why RiverWise did not pursue Shell mitigation funds

<https://www.timesonline.com/story/opinion/columns/2024/06/02/community-matters-why-riverwise-didnt-pursue-shell-mitigation-funds-beaver-county/73899859007/>

Milton Standard-Journal: Halfway Lake shut down due to water tests

[https://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article\\_7176a67c-21c9-11ef-becd-73d7e37d1c9d.html](https://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article_7176a67c-21c9-11ef-becd-73d7e37d1c9d.html)

Centre Daily Times: On any given day, this Centre County community might not have running water. Residents are at a loss

<https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/state-college/article288950708.html>

Lock Haven Express: Farmers, business owners talk overreach in Greene Twp.

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2024/06/farmers-business-owners-talk-overreach-in-greene-twp/>

## **East Palestine Train Derailment**

Post-Gazette: Payments to Pa. residents harmed by train derailment catastrophe would be tax-exempt under proposed state law

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/politics-state/2024/06/03/pennsylvania-east-palestine-legislature-derailment/stories/202406030074>

Post-Gazette: EPA outlines plans for long-term health, water monitoring following Norfolk Southern settlement. Is it enough?

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/nation/2024/06/03/epa-settlement-norfolk-southern-east-palestine-train-derailment/stories/202406010059>

Sunbury Daily Item: EPA outlines plans for long-term health, water monitoring following Norfolk Southern settlement. Is it enough?

[https://www.dailyitem.com/wire/epa-outlines-plans-for-long-term-health-water-monitoring-following-norfolk-southern-settlement-is-it/article\\_ecd25350-20d4-5bc8-aec0-d5adea5356a5.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/wire/epa-outlines-plans-for-long-term-health-water-monitoring-following-norfolk-southern-settlement-is-it/article_ecd25350-20d4-5bc8-aec0-d5adea5356a5.html)

## **Air**

Mon Valley Independent: Nonprofit aims to use U.S. Steel trust to address air quality issues

<https://www.monvalleyindependent.com/2024/06/04/nonprofit-aims-to-use-u-s-steel-trust-to-address-air-quality-issues/>

## **Climate Change**

Post-Gazette: Bruce Ledewitz: The Republican reason we're not talking about climate change

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/Op-Ed/2024/06/03/ledewitz-republican-climate-change-debate/stories/202406030008>

Post-Gazette: Humans die too

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/letters/2024/06/02/humans-die-too/stories/202406020099>

Pittsburgh Business Times: SteelWatch says Nippon Steel is too dependent on coal use

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2024/06/03/nippon-steel-steel-watch-coal.html>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Bradford Era: Free buckthorn management workshop set for J'burg

[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/free-buckthorn-management-workshop-set-for-jburg/article\\_5032c418-1f90-11ef-ae2c-27d9cea94e4a.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/free-buckthorn-management-workshop-set-for-jburg/article_5032c418-1f90-11ef-ae2c-27d9cea94e4a.html)

WICU-TV: Erie County Agricultural Land Preservation 2024 Application Now Open

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/50859964/erie-county-agricultural-land-preservation-2024-application-now-open>

Mon Valley Independent: Progress made on White Oak native plant garden project

<https://www.monvalleyindependent.com/2024/06/03/progress-made-on-white-oak-native-plant-garden-project/>

Herald-Standard: Be on the lookout: Spotted lanternfly nymphs beginning to hatch

[https://www.heraldstandard.com/editors\\_pick/2024/jun/03/be-on-the-lookout-spotted-lanternfly-nymphs-beginning-to-hatch/](https://www.heraldstandard.com/editors_pick/2024/jun/03/be-on-the-lookout-spotted-lanternfly-nymphs-beginning-to-hatch/)

Herald-Standard: New grant program could help with local parks' wish lists

[https://www.heraldstandard.com/news/local\\_news/2024/jun/04/new-grant-program-could-help-with-local-parks-wish-lists/](https://www.heraldstandard.com/news/local_news/2024/jun/04/new-grant-program-could-help-with-local-parks-wish-lists/)

## Energy

WFMZ: Zum, bus company that serves Reading schools, will receive a \$32 million grant for electric vehicles

[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/zum-bus-company-that-serves-reading-schools-will-receive-a-32-million-grant-for-electric/article\\_6a6d0132-2264-11ef-b2bb-0babde1d726e.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/zum-bus-company-that-serves-reading-schools-will-receive-a-32-million-grant-for-electric/article_6a6d0132-2264-11ef-b2bb-0babde1d726e.html)

NBC 10: Now that it's getting hotter out, here are some ways to save on your energy bills

<https://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/investigators/consumer/now-that-its-getting-hotter-out-here-are-some-ways-to-save-on-your-energy-bills/3875550/>

## Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

WICU-TV: Community Cleans Up Trails at Jake's Rocks Ahead of the Season

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/50861450/community-cleans-up-trails-at-jakes-rocks-ahead-of-the-season>

## High Path Avian Influenza

New Castle News: Scientists are testing mRNA vaccines to protect cows and people against bird flu

[https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local\\_news/scientists-are-testing-mrna-vaccines-to-protect-cows-and-people-against-bird-flu/article\\_a15ead74-6ff3-5293-bc95-31e8869c00a5.html](https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local_news/scientists-are-testing-mrna-vaccines-to-protect-cows-and-people-against-bird-flu/article_a15ead74-6ff3-5293-bc95-31e8869c00a5.html)

## Mining

Tribune-Democrat: Presentation of Rolling Mill Mine disaster scheduled

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Pittsburgh Business Times: Pennsylvania, West Virginia to each receive \$28 million in abandoned mine land cleanup funds

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2024/06/03/abandoned-mine-lands-federal-funds.html>

## Oil and Gas

Bradford Era: Appalachian groups call for hydrogen hub pause

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Beaver County Times: Central Atlantic region gas prices rose from last week: See how much here

<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/local/2024/06/03/weekly-gas-prices/73962255007/>

Environmental Health News: The oil and gas industry's radioactive problem: Q&A with Justin Nobel

<https://www.ehn.org/radioactivity-in-oil-and-gas-wells-2668423425.html>

Pittsburgh Business Times: EQT completes acreage swap with Equinor

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## **PFAS**

WFMZ: Cancer, pregnancy issues and more discussed during hearing about forever chemicals or 'PFAS'

[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/pennsylvania/cancer-pregnancy-issues-and-more-discussed-during-hearing-about-forever-chemicals-or-pfas/article\\_bf32c6fa-21c1-11ef-8a90-2b9c4302c66d.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/pennsylvania/cancer-pregnancy-issues-and-more-discussed-during-hearing-about-forever-chemicals-or-pfas/article_bf32c6fa-21c1-11ef-8a90-2b9c4302c66d.html)

## **Radiation Protection**

Beaver County Times: PA Department of Health to host potassium iodide tablet distribution event on June 12

<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/local/2024/06/03/department-of-health-giving-out-new-ki-tablets-for-free-on-june-12-beaver-county/73906203007/>

## **Vector Management**

Daily Courier: Fayette encourages residents to 'fight the bite'

[https://www.dailycourier.com/news/fayette-encourages-residents-to-fight-the-bite/article\\_4a165da2-21c4-11ef-9ef2-4719cc3910c9.html](https://www.dailycourier.com/news/fayette-encourages-residents-to-fight-the-bite/article_4a165da2-21c4-11ef-9ef2-4719cc3910c9.html)

## **Waste**

Philly Voice: Philly 'Clean and Green' officials reveal 13-week neighborhood cleaning plan

<https://www.phillyvoice.com/philly-clean-and-green-office-neighborhood-sweep-plan/>

Mon Valley Independent: More sanitation service complaints in Elizabeth Township

<https://www.monvalleyindependent.com/2024/06/04/more-sanitation-service-complaints-in-elizabeth-twp/>

KDKA: Castle Shannon woman offering her services to haul your garbage away using 'Someone Else's Pickup'

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/castle-shannon-woman-offering-her-services-to-haul-your-garbage-away-using-someone-elses-pickup/>

## **Water**

York Daily Record: York Water Company celebrates rehabilitated dam by pouring water over it

<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2024/06/04/york-water-company-celebrates-reconstructed-dam-by-pouring-water-over-it/73953749007/>

York Daily Record: Lake Williams dam re-dedication photos with 'wetting down' ceremony as project concludes

<https://www.ydr.com/picture-gallery/news/local/2024/06/04/lake-williams-dam-re-dedication-photos-with-wetting-down-ceremony/73962984007/>

Huntingdon Daily News: Dam's past, future explored

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Standard Speaker: Salem Twp. rezones 1,582 acres for multibillion-dollar Amazon data center campus near power plants

[https://www.standardpeaker.com/news/salem-twp-rezones-1-582-acres-for-multibillion-dollar-amazon-data-center-campus-near-power/article\\_66670e01-b7d7-529c-9ee4-2c3c3a6e7a0c.html](https://www.standardpeaker.com/news/salem-twp-rezones-1-582-acres-for-multibillion-dollar-amazon-data-center-campus-near-power/article_66670e01-b7d7-529c-9ee4-2c3c3a6e7a0c.html)

My ChesCo: Essential Utilities Earns Spot on USA Today's Climate Leaders List for Second Year

<https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/regional/essential-utilities-earns-spot-on-usa-todays-climate-leaders-list-for-second-year/>

FOX 29: Jenkintown water supply safe after cleaning fluid leak: officials

<https://www.fox29.com/news/water-supply-safe-after-jenkintown-cleaning-fluid-leak>

KDKA: Daily closures of Becks Run Road in Baldwin Borough begin amid water main upgrade

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/daily-closures-of-becks-run-road-in-baldwin-borough-begin-amid-water-main-upgrade/>

Pittsburgh Union Progress: Can't get there from here: Large segment of Becks Run Road between Pittsburgh's South Side and Carrick closes for 15 months

<https://www.unionprogress.com/2024/06/03/cant-get-there-from-here-large-segment-of-becks-run-road-between-pittsburghs-south-side-and-carrick-closes-for-15-months/>

Sunbury Daily Item: Update: R. B. Winter lake back open

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/update-r-b-winter-lake-back-open/article\\_edf4edf8-21c4-11ef-b5a1-4b143ced3baa.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/update-r-b-winter-lake-back-open/article_edf4edf8-21c4-11ef-b5a1-4b143ced3baa.html)

## **Miscellaneous**

WFMZ: Giant to award \$100K in grants for planting of native trees

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KDKA: Has the Shell cracker plant fallen short on its economic promise? Residents and researchers say it's a bust

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/shell-cracker-plant-beaver-county-economic-promise/>

Tribune-Review: Morning Roundup: Pittsburgh schools go remote over heat; bee sting causes crash in Mt. Pleasant Township

<https://triblive.com/local/regional/morning-roundup-pittsburgh-schools-go-remote-over-heat-bee-sting-causes-crash-in-mt-pleasant-township/>