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Top DEP Stories

WTAJ News: \$400M in DEP grants available, companies looking to reduce pollution encouraged to apply
<https://www.wtaj.com/news/regional-news/400m-in-dep-grants-available-companies-looking-to-reduce-pollution-encouraged-to-apply/>

Mentions

Kane Republican: Mount Jewett Council meeting erupts: Sewer system disputes, alleged DEP violations, and EADS involvement spark heated debate (pg 1)
<https://kanerepublican.pressreader.com/kane-republican>

Milton Standard-Journal: Yaw to reintroduce stream maintenance bills
https://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article_1ff38b14-f84f-11ef-b43e-c7e7636642cd.html

SpotlightPA: Reviving rural Pa. should start with shoring up local governments, says state commission
<https://www.spotlightpa.org/statecollege/2025/03/pennsylvania-rural-population-revitalization-commission-legislature-grants/>

PennLive: Reviving rural Pa. should start with shoring up local governments, says state commission
<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2025/03/reviving-rural-pa-should-start-with-shoring-up-local-governments-says-state-commission.html>

WTAJ: Centre County Commissioners reallocate funding from sewer project
<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/centre-county-commissioners-reallocate-funding-from-sewer-project/>

Daily Times: Consider the community: Community and experts ask state committee to empower DEP
<https://www.delcotimes.com/2025/03/04/consider-the-community-community-and-experts-ask-state-committee-to-empower-dep/>

Conservation and Recreation

Erie Times: National Park Service considers culling deer on its lands in Somerset, Fayette counties
<https://www.goerie.com/story/sports/outdoors/2025/03/04/national-park-service-management-plan-includes-culling-deer-at-flight-93-fort-necessity-friendship/81163911007/?tbref=hp>

Centre Daily Times: DOGE to end 2 leases in State College area, including US Fish & Wildlife office. What we know
<https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/state-college/article301391019.html>

PennLive: DOGE cutting Harrisburg-area USDA, other offices after pushing employees out
<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2025/03/doge-cutting-harrisburg-area-usda-other-offices-after-pushing-employees-out.html>

Sayre Morning Times: Spruce Creek land dispute pits owners against state
https://www.morning-times.com/news/article_642270c8-f955-11ef-a9f7-1bd7f90484f1.html

Beaver County Times: Anglers can find wild trout in more than 3,200 miles of Pennsylvania streams. Here's where
<https://www.timesonline.com/story/sports/outdoors/2025/03/05/anglers-can-find-wild-trout-in-63-of-pennsylvanias-67-counties-wild-brown-rainbow-brook-class-a/81357059007/>

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Baby great horned owl rescued after falling more than 100 feet in Schenley Park
<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/goodness/2025/03/05/great-horned-owl-rescue-panther-hollow-schenley-park/stories/202503030046>

KDKA: A young Great horned owl is rescued after falling down 100 feet from its nest
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/young-great-horned-owl-rescued-after-falling-down/>

KDKA: Pet deer taken by Pennsylvania Game Commission finds permanent home at facility
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/baby-deer-taken-game-commission-permanent-home/>

Tribune-Review: Mon/Yough Trail Council to host 11th annual fundraiser half marathon, 5K on Great Allegheny Passage
<https://triblive.com/local/regional/mon-yough-trail-council-to-host-11th-annual-fundraiser-half-marathon-5k-on-great-allegheny-passage/>

The Sentinel: Where It Stands: Buffer land around Camp Tuckahoe could become part of Michaux State Park
https://cumberlink.com/news/local/article_2cdde2ba-f625-11ef-8597-cb0b13969b17.html

Energy

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Tim Gallagher: As energy demand rises, America needs to keep fossil fuel plants while developing solar power
<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/guest-columns/2025/03/05/energy-fossil-fuel-renewable-solar-wind-supply-energy-trilemma-tradeoffs/stories/202503040002>

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Lock Haven Express: Borough council approves Bellefonte Waterfront Project
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2025/03/borough-council-approves-bellefonte-waterfront-project/>

Oil and Gas

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: What is RFK doing about oil and gas?

<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-what-is-rfk-doing-about-oil-and-gas/>

Lancaster Online: UGI gas line replacement project will result in parking restrictions, lane closure in Manheim Twp.

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/ugi-gas-line-replacement-project-will-result-in-parking-restrictions-lane-closure-in-manheim-twp/article_2b461b0c-f918-11ef-b8f2-5bd873cc0139.html

Radiation Protection

Penn State News: Penn State engages with NRC to build new nuclear research facility

<https://www.psu.edu/news/research/story/penn-state-engages-nrc-build-new-nuclear-research-facility>

Waste

Reading Eagle: Yard waste pickup set to begin in March in Reading

<https://www.readingeagle.com/2025/03/05/yard-waste-pick-up-set-to-begin-in-march-in-reading/>

WHYY: 'This has to stop': Philadelphians push City Council for more illegal dumping prevention

<https://whyy.org/articles/illegal-dumping-philadelphia-city-council-hearing/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: How to end illegal dumping in Philadelphia

<https://www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/illegal-dumping-cherelle-parker-cleanup-waste-20250305.html>

Water

The Derrick: Franklin Memorial Day events to exclude parade due to downtown sewer projects

https://www.thederrick.com/news/front_page/franklin-memorial-day-events-to-exclude-parade-due-to-downtown-sewer-projects/article_ad5b13b6-f893-11ef-b9e6-0f1a69f4fc39.html

LehighValleyNews: New Lehigh Valley group takes aim at Pa. road salt pollution problem

<https://www.lehighvalleynews.com/environment-science/new-lehigh-valley-group-takes-aim-at-pa-road-salt-pollution-problem>

Sunbury Daily Item: Selinsgrove underground well leak continues to spill up to 100,000 gallons of water a day

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/selinsgrove-underground-well-leak-continues-to-spill-up-to-100-000-gallons-of-water/article_de1eef1a-f89b-11ef-a036-63d7ba41900f.html

Lock Haven Express: Council hears from authority after resolution approval

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2025/03/council-hears-from-authority-after-resolution-approval/>

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Supreme Court strikes down EPA rules on discharge of water pollution
<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2025/03/04/supreme-court-sewage-epa-san-francisco-water/stories/202503040062>

WTAE: Holiday Hills residents in Allegheny County speak out after 46 days without water
<https://www.wtae.com/article/holiday-hills-residents-allegheny-county-speak-out-46-days-without-water/64043442>

PhillyBurbs: Residents, officials ask if flooding led to jet fuel in Bucks wells
<https://www.phillyburbs.com/story/news/local/2025/03/05/did-the-flash-flood-cause-upper-makefield-pipeline-leak-residents-washington-crossing-sunoco/81342432007/>

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<https://www.inquirer.com/news/pennsylvania/aqua-pennsylvania-lawsuit-arkema-pfas-contamination-20250305.html>

Miscellaneous

WVIA: Officials meet with EPA administrator at Poconos roundtable
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Pittsburgh Business Journal: Turtle Creek battery maker touts American-made tech amid federal funding uncertainty
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2025/03/05/eos-energy-enterprises-loan.html>

EHN: Opinion: We should empower youth to fight for environmental justice in their own neighborhoods
<https://www.ehn.org/braddock-pennsylvania-pollution-2671254050.html>

NEXTpittsburgh: What's next for Rivers of Steel? New CEO Mary Murrin on Pittsburgh's industrial legacy
<https://nextpittsburgh.com/features/rivers-of-steel-new-ceo-mary-murrin-on-pittsburghs-industrial-legacy/>

Altoona Mirror: Forward thinking: Sustainable agriculture growing in Pennsylvania
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2025/03/forward-thinking-sustainable-agriculture-growing-in-pennsylvania/>

PennLive: DOGE cutting Harrisburg-area USDA, other offices after pushing employees out

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https://lancasteronline.com/opinion/editorials/lancaster-county-farmers-face-a-triple-whammy-of-threats-tariffs-bird-flu-and-federal-funding/article_cd8ea2e0-f958-11ef-81c6-0f805dae87db.html