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Mentions

WHYY: A Newtown authority wants to build its own wastewater treatment plant. Residents and elected officials are pushing back

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FOX 29: SPS Technologies fire: Residents grill environmental officials over clean up response

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WKOK: Volunteers in training complete live fire training

<https://www.wkok.com/618728-2/>

Lancaster Plane Crash

ABC27: Department of Environmental Protection monitoring Pennsylvania plane crash cleanup

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CBS21: Environmental cleanup ongoing after Lancaster County plane crash

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