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Top DEP Stories

Scranton Times: Keystone Sanitary Landfill pays \$15,000 plus fine for a violation
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/03/26/keystone-sanitary-landfill-pays-15000-plus-fine-for-leachate-violation/>

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Warren Times: Two council members ask for speakers on oil, gas drilling
<https://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2025/03/two-council-members-ask-for-speakers-on-oil-gas-drilling/>

WFMZ: “Let it burn,” Lehigh Township volunteer firefighters work to keep fire contained at hill slope
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Town and County: Marlborough Residents Blast Quarry Requests
<https://upvnews.com/news/article.ashx?article=30747>

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Air

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<https://www.unionprogress.com/2025/03/27/mon-valley-clean-air-fund-awards-first-grants-to-nonprofits-following-u-s-steel-coke-works-fire-settlement/>

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Climate Change

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<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/weather-news/2025/03/27/la-nina-pittsburgh-forecast/stories/202503250048>

Allegheny Front: Advice from a youth climate organizer

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/pittsburgh-youth-climate-action-summit/>

Conservation and Recreation

Lancaster Online: East Lampeter board chair confirms township's commitment to farmland preservation

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The Philadelphia Citizen: FDR Park Steward Tara Anastasi

<https://thephiladelphiacitizen.org/citizen-of-the-week-fdr-park-steward-tara-anastasi/>

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Renovo Record: Statewide Mentored Youth Trout Day is Saturday, March 29!

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WJAC: Governor Shapiro unveils 'Lightning Plan' to cut energy costs for Pennsylvania farmers

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Waste

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Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: System installed to improve Wyalusing water appearance

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<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2025-03-27/pennsylvania-launches-center-for-plant-excellence>

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<https://www.timesherald.com/2025/03/27/wildfire-season-budget-plans/>

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