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Top DEP Stories

WOLF: NEPA projects highlighted as part of \$267M state investment to cut emissions, lower costs
<https://fox56.com/news/local/nepa-projects-highlighted-as-part-of-267m-state-investment-to-cut-emissions-lower-costs>

Mentions

Allegheny Front: Waterkeeper takes aim at Neville Chemical over thousands of water pollution violations
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/waterkeeper-neville-chemical-ohio-river-water-pollution-violations/>

WESA: Waterkeeper takes aim at Neville Chemical over thousands of water pollution violations
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2026-05-01/neville-chemical-pollution-violations>

Times Leader: GNA team wins Luzerne County Envirothon
<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1740316/gna-team-wins-luzerne-county-envirothon>

Air

WFMZ: Tips on how to limit exposure to air pollution
https://www.wfmz.com/features/life-lessons/tips-on-how-to-limit-exposure-to-air-pollution/article_d0bfba85-13f5-4885-ac23-9308e60962d7.html#tncms-source=Homepage-Top-Stories

Conservation and Recreation

WESA: Pittsburgh to distribute free mulch, compost from recycled Christmas trees
<https://www.wesa.fm/politics-government/2026-05-01/pittsburgh-zoo-free-mulch-compost-christmas-trees>

Daily American: Group against Allegheny Mountain tunnel to make case at state capitol
<https://www.dailyamerican.com/story/news/local/2026/04/30/citizens-to-save-allegheny-mountain-harrisburg-event/89872540007/>

WNEP: Students tackle non-point source pollution at Schuylkill County Envirothon
<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/local/schuylkill-county/schuylkill-county-envirothon/523-455c09f3-ed26-4bd9-ab30-ea197e7fba98>

Republican Herald: 200 students compete in annual Schuylkill County Envirothon

<https://www.republicanherald.com/2026/04/29/200-students-compete-in-annual-schuylkill-county-envirothon/>

The Derrick: Ground Broken For Preschool Nature Classroom On Grove City College Campus, Mercer County

https://www.thederrick.com/news/community_news/ground-broken-for-preschool-nature-classroom-on-grove-city-campus/article_82410bb5-2862-4f28-8986-d3d232f1a3c1.html

Lancaster Online: Officials seek more state aid for \$400,000 in repairs at Columbia Crossing River Trails Center

https://lancasteronline.com/news/regional/officials-seek-more-state-aid-for-400-000-in-repairs-at-columbia-crossing-river-trails/article_001e888e-4787-4b48-b215-c34c1c8ca6ac.html

WNEP: Tulip bloom brightens Brown Hill Farms as visitors enjoy Baby Animal Weekend

<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/local/wyoming-county/tulip-bloom-brightens-brown-hill-farms-visitors-baby-animal-weekend-tunkhannock-spring-nikki-krize/523-5dec747-7e80-4f2b-9ac3-b251d7cb008d>

Lehighvalleylive: These 5 standout plants can brighten your Pa. landscape in May

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/outdoors/2026/05/these-5-standout-plants-can-brighten-your-pa-landscape-in-may.html>

Lock Haven Express: Conservation District offers orders for leftover trees following sale

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/community/2026/04/conservation-district-offers-orders-for-left-over-trees-following-sale/>

Data Centers

Times-Tribune: Data center developer sues Archbald to overturn council rejection vote

<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/04/29/data-center-developer-sues-archbald-to-overturn-council-rejection-vote/>

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<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/04/29/firm-linked-to-denaples-challenges-olyphant-over-data-center-zoning/>

New Castle News: Data centers discussed at boroughs association meeting

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Bradford Era: Nesting eagles, threats, lack of information all stir data center discussion

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Pennlive: The hidden cost of our digital age: Data centers are making Pennsylvania unlivable

<https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2026/04/the-hidden-cost-of-our-digital-age-data-centers-are-making-pennsylvania-unlivable-pennlive-letters.html>

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<https://www.readingeagle.com/2026/05/01/threats-of-violence-against-both-sides-dogging-area-data-center-projects/>

Carlisle Sentinel: Data centers: What happened in Virginia can be a lesson for Cumberland County
https://cumberlink.com/news/local/government-politics/article_dd307909-dcb6-41e7-96d9-2bd7cd6680ad.html

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<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/04/30/developer-appeals-denial-to-build-four-dickson-city-data-centers/>

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<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2026/05/muncy-township-passes-9-month-moratorium-on-data-centers/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Citizens offer input on data center rules
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/05/01/1/citizens-offer-input-data-center-rules>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Montour County advertises data center rule amendments
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/04/29/1/montour-county-advertise-data-center-rule-amendments>

Energy

WESA: Hill District energy tech hub puts 'lazy roof' to work with new solar array
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2026-05-01/pittsburgh-energy-innovation-center-new-solar-arrays>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Eos Energy names veteran CFO as it scales Pittsburgh battery operations
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2026/04/30/eos-energy-new-cfo.html>

Standard Speaker: Hazleton City Council approves Comcast deal
<https://www.standardpeaker.com/2026/04/29/hazleton-city-council-approves-comcast-deal/>

Easing the struggle to charge an EV in Philadelphia
<https://billypenn.com/2026/04/30/philadelphia-electric-vehicle-ev-charger-itselectric-positivenergy/>

Mining

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Vector Management

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Waste

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Water

WPXI: \$5M Chartiers Creek study looks to address damaging flooding

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<https://www.timesleader.com/opinion/1740276/op-ed-reflecting-on-progress-protecting-public-health-and-the-wyoming-valley-environment>

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<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2026/04/29/littlestown-pa-issues-water-warning-for-infants-under-six-months/89861392007/>

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<https://fox56.com/news/local/monroe-county-to-receive-24m-for-high-risk-dam-project-as-congress-restores-dhs-funding>

WKOK: Flood meeting set for Bloomsburg West End residents
<https://www.wkok.com/flood-meeting-set-for-bloomsburg-west-end-residents/>

Miscellaneous

WJAC: Greater Johnstown School District adds 10 electric buses with federal grant
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/greater-johnstown-school-district-adds-10-electric-buses-with-federal-grant>

Lehighvalleylive: Here's how to tackle an overgrown yard, one step at a time
<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/outdoors/2026/04/heres-how-to-tackle-an-overgrown-yard-one-step-at-a-time.html>

Morning Call: Allentown agrees on temporary moratorium of homeless encampment sweeps (Jordan Creek)
<https://www.mcall.com/2026/04/30/allentown-homeless-sweep-moratorium/>

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<https://www.pennlive.com/politics/2026/05/fetterman-tells-dhs-secretary-he-still-opposes-ice-detention-centers-in-two-pa-counties.html>

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<https://www.standardpeaker.com/2026/04/30/american-water-lawyer-merger-with-essential-utilities-will-not-raise-rates/>