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Top DEP Stories

Scranton Times: Pennsylvania American Water dredges silt released from dam rehab into Roaring Brook in Dunmore, Scranton

<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2024/11/18/pennsylvania-american-water-dredges-silt-inadvertently-released-from-dam-rehabilitation-into-roaring-brook-in-dunmore-scranton/>

Mentions

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: USGS PFAS study looks at which tissues are in ‘forever chemicals’

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/outdoors/2024/11/usgs-pfas-study-looks-at-which-tissues-are-in-forever-chemicals/>

Delco Times: Rain in forecast for Delaware County as 90-day mark for dryness set

<https://www.delcotimes.com/2024/11/19/rain-in-forecast-for-delaware-county-as-90-day-mark-for-dryness-set/>

Air

Clarion News: Commissioners issue 30-day burn ban

https://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/commissioners-issue-30-day-burn-ban/article_f1ce585a-a5d2-11ef-bdcb-1b568826a557.html

Conservation and Recreation

WICU-TV: Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundations Establishes New Friends of Chapman State Park Chapter

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/51818209/pennsylvania-parks-and-forests-foundation-establishes-new-friends-of-chapman-state-park-chapter>

Delco Times: Media Tree Tenders part of wider PHS planting effort

<https://www.delcotimes.com/2024/11/19/media-tree-tenders-part-of-wider-phs-planting-effort/>

Philly Voice: Chester County's Crebilly Farm, site of a Revolutionary War skirmish, to be preserved as public park

<https://www.phillyvoice.com/crebilly-farm-preservation-chester-county-revolutionary-war-brandywine/>

Bucks County Herald: Embracing the dawn redwood of Durham Township

https://www.buckscountyherald.com/opinion/by-the-way/embracing-the-dawn-redwood-of-durham-township/article_5ec0a10a-a1e8-11ef-8cdb-cbe5fa21f849.html

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Improvements on the way for Williamsport parks

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2024/11/improvements-on-the-way-for-williamsport-parks/>

Drought

Fox56: Aqua PA issues mandatory water conservation notice to customers

https://fox56.com/news/local/aqua-pennsylvania-issues-mandatory-water-conservation-notice-to-customers?utm_source=sfmc&utm_medium=email&sfmc_id=7546044&utm_guid=09dd7bff3f37f95e1c69f198e492dcdf62b39831fa90499a80c7a765a43f34a3&utm_campaign=

CBS21: Susquehanna River hits near-record low levels amid ongoing drought

<https://local21news.com/news/local/susquehanna-river-hits-near-record-low-levels-amid-ongoing-drought#>

WGAL: October 2024 was one of the driest on record in South-Central Pennsylvania

<https://www.wgal.com/article/pennsylvania-october-weather-records-top-5-driest/62949503>

Citizens' Voice: Drought has Susquehanna River at exceedingly low levels

<https://www.citizensvoice.com/2024/11/18/drought-has-susquehanna-river-at-exceedingly-low-levels/>

Energy

Times Herald: Montgomery County Recovery Office looks into furthering energy efficiency with \$500K in contracts

<https://www.timesherald.com/2024/11/18/montgomery-county-recovery-office-looks-into-furthering-energy-efficiency-with-500k-in-contracts/>

Altoona Mirror: Central Cambria mulls solar panels

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2024/11/central-cambria-mulls-solar-panels/>

Clarion News: North Clarion board mulls solar opportunity

https://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/north-clarion-board-mulls-solar-opportunity/article_820668b4-a5d7-11ef-bf8c-0b569bd3c2a2.html

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

LehighValleyLive: \$1.5M granted to clean up former Slate Belt coal plant

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/news/2024/11/15m-granted-to-clean-up-former-slate-belt-coal-plant.html>

Waste

Philly Tribute: Trash day will come twice a week for Center City and South Philly starting in December
https://www.phillytrib.com/news/local_news/trash-day-will-come-twice-a-week-for-center-city-and-south-philly-starting-in/article_0c358488-a462-11ef-9446-f33c592e4794.html

FOX43: Severely burned suspect faces felony charges for setting illegal trash fire in Dauphin County
<https://www.fox43.com/article/news/local/arrest-arson-blue-mountain-brush-fire-lower-paxton-twp/521-c3df5a0b-72b4-4eb1-8fb0-966371dac61d>

Water

Sharon Herald: Sewer line project to affect Hermitage neighborhoods
https://www.sharonherald.com/news/sewer-line-project-to-affect-hermitage-neighborhoods/article_64a8c46a-a2d0-11ef-a876-1b2bc5567c3c.html

Bucks County Herald: Upper Makefield adds Aqueduct Road piece to its flood mitigation study puzzle
https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/upper-makefield-adds-aqueduct-road-piece-to-its-flood-mitigation-study-puzzle/article_705110c4-a686-11ef-9ff4-63f1d1c21f99.html

LehighValleyLive: Hydroelectric system proposed at Chain Dam in Palmer Twp. instead of Hugh Moore Park
https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/news/2024/11/hydroelectric-system-proposed-at-chain-dam-in-palmer-twp-instead-of-hugh-moore-park.html?itm_source=parsely-api

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Penn State News: American soil losing more crop nutrients due to heavier rainstorms, study shows
https://www.psu.edu/news/research/story/american-soil-losing-more-crop-nutrients-due-heavier-rainstorms-study-shows?utm_audience=External&utm_source=newswire&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Penn%20State%20Today&utm_content=11-18-2024-21-02&utm_term=Research%20-%203

Reading Eagle: Berks Nature emphasizes community planning during its 16th annual State of the Environment Breakfast
<https://www.readingeagle.com/2024/11/18/berks-nature-emphasizes-community-planning-during-its-16th-annual-state-of-the-environment-breakfast/>

abc27: Paint, pipes, and soil can expose Pennsylvania children to lead. How to stay safe.
<https://www.abc27.com/spotlight-pa/paint-pipes-and-soil-can-expose-pennsylvania-children-to-lead-how-to-stay-safe/>