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Top DEP Stories

The Derrick: DEP environmental award seeks applicants

https://www.thederrick.com/news/community_news/dep-environmental-award-seeks-applicants/article_01ec9c35-a687-465d-82ad-374d814f5102.html

DuBois Courier-Express: AG announces charges against Seneca Resources

https://www.thecourierexpress.com/news/local/ag-announces-charges-against-seneca-resources/article_3132b801-3b6e-4c64-894a-f39a7530e430.html

Sunbury Daily Item: Gas driller charged with environmental crimes for polluted water spills: AG

https://www.dailyitem.com/cnhi_network/gas-driller-charged-with-environmental-crimes-for-polluted-water-spills-ag/article_6ca07f9b-97b3-56a7-92db-1fcea36296e4.html

Mentions

Tribune-Democrat: AG: Gas driller charged with environmental crimes for polluted water spills

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WESA: No hearing for Westmoreland County gas plant's air permit; environmental groups say it needs work

<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2025-11-03/westmoreland-county-tenaska-gas-plant>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Official: Slick source unknown; Pa. DEP has collected oil seeping into Susquehanna River in Berwick

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/110325/page/1/story/official-slick-source-unknown>

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Air

WOLF: Crews battle debris blaze at Wilkes-Barre Township recycling center

<https://fox56.com/news/local/crews-battle-debris-blaze-at-wilkes-barre-township-recycling-center>

Climate Change

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Bill Gates calls for climate fight to shift focus from curbing emissions to reducing human suffering

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/world/2025/11/02/bill-gates-calls-for-climate-fight-to-shift-focus-from-curbing-emissions-to-reducing-human-suffering/stories/202511020034>

Conservation and Recreation

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Mute swan strikes unusual pose leading 'V' formation of Canada geese at North Park

<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2025/11/01/mute-swan-north-park/stories/202510300119>

Allegheny Front: How U.S. bluegill became an invasive fish in Japan

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/bluegill-invasive-fish-japan/>

Allegheny Front: Help wanted: Stop the spread of invasive round goby fish in Pa.

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/help-wanted-stop-the-spread-of-invasive-round-goby-fish-in-pa/>

Union Progress: Allegheny Land Trust closing in on land purchases that will move along two county conservation projects

<https://www.unionprogress.com/2025/11/02/allegheny-land-trust-closing-in-on-land-purchases-that-will-move-along-two-county-conservation-projects/>

Axios: Top 3 hikes to explore near Pittsburgh this fall

<https://www.axios.com/local/pittsburgh/2025/11/03/hikes-near-pittsburgh>

Republican Herald: PFBC reminds anglers and boaters there is still plenty to do before 2026 trout opener

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Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Some reject plan for free trees from Shade Tree Commission via environmental grant

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Data Centers

Tribune-Review: Surge in computer data centers spark concern over water demands

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/surge-in-computer-data-centers-spark-concern-over-water-demands/>

Scranton Times: Developer applies for 22 more data center buildings in Archbald

<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/10/31/developer-applies-for-22-more-data-center-buildings-in-archbald/>

Philly Voice: Pa. and N.J. want data centers to guarantee their own power supply

<https://www.phillyvoice.com/pennsylvania-nj-data-centers-power-supply-proposal/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Rules announced for Talen rezoning meeting for data center
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/110125/page/3/story/rules-announced-for-talen-meeting>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: More data centers proposed; deal could mean Salem Township gets \$9M plus taxes
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/103125/page/1/story/more-data-centers-proposed>

Shamokin News-Item: Natalie residents voice opposition to potential data center
https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/natalie-residents-voice-opposition-to-potential-data-center/article_5b220bd6-2359-4d0c-b6d8-e6a52822f342.html

Drought

WJAC: Cambria Co. farmers expecting lower crop yields due to drought conditions
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/cambria-co-farmers-expecting-lower-crop-yields-due-to-drought-conditions>

Energy

Pittsburgh Business Times: Nuclear energy in focus: K&L Gates partners examine the emerging nuclear renaissance
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2025/11/01/nuclear-energy-kl-gates-partners-renaissance.html>

Allegheny Front: State Republican lawmakers weigh solutions to rising electricity bills
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/pennsylvania-mid-atlantic-republican-lawmakers-energy-prices/>

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<http://almanac.tubecityonline.com/almanac/?e=3926>

Coal Region Canary: PPL Proposes New Price to Compare Rate to Start in December
<https://coalregioncanary.com/2025/10/31/ppl-proposed-price-to-compare-rate-hike-december-2025/>

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Vector Management

Times Leader: Slight increase in mosquitoes with West Nile Virus found in Luzerne County
<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1723125/slight-increase-in-mosquitoes-with-west-nile-virus-found-in-luzerne-county>

Waste

DuBois Courier-Express: Jefferson County Commissioners oppose trash train station in Snyder Township
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<https://fox56.com/news/local/how-to-get-help-pa-american-water-offers-bill-assistance-amid-government-shutdown>

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WHYY: How Philadelphia seniors are tracking microplastics in streams and working to 'leave a better world'
<https://whyy.org/articles/microplastics-philadelphia-seniors/>

Philly Voice: Revised Chesapeake Bay agreement nears approval with Pennsylvania on board
<https://www.phillyvoice.com/pennsylvania-chesapeake-bay-agreement-cleanup-goals/>

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<https://www.2822news.com/news/local-news/16th-annual-turkey-trot-steps-off-in-scranton/>

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<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/10/31/nepa-tv-news-poised-for-more-consolidation-after-rich-history/>

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