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## **Top DEP Stories**

Record-Argus: DEP offering new grant to fight hunger, prevent food waste

[https://www.recordargusnews.com/community/dep-offering-new-grant-to-fight-hunger-prevent-food-waste/article\\_394764b8-84b0-11ef-a95e-03d263138f41.html](https://www.recordargusnews.com/community/dep-offering-new-grant-to-fight-hunger-prevent-food-waste/article_394764b8-84b0-11ef-a95e-03d263138f41.html)

## **Mentions**

Bradford Era: Poor, and uneducated; Cyclone residents feel community was targeted

[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/poor-and-uneducated-cyclone-residents-feel-community-was-targeted/article\\_007d0332-85b8-11ef-845f-d3fe84369d65.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/poor-and-uneducated-cyclone-residents-feel-community-was-targeted/article_007d0332-85b8-11ef-845f-d3fe84369d65.html)

Mon Valley Independent: NBV borough building to be part of stabilization project

<https://www.monvalleyindependent.com/2024/10/09/nbv-borough-building-to-be-part-of-stabilization-project/>

## **Philadelphia Refinery Explosion**

Philadelphia Inquirer: EPA reaches \$4.2 million settlement, largest of its kind, over 2019 Philly refinery explosion

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia/philadelphia-refinery-explosion-settlement-epa-20241008.html>

WHYY: EPA reaches historic \$4.2 million settlement over 2019 South Philly refinery explosion and fire

<https://whyy.org/articles/philadelphia-refinery-fire-epa-settlement/>

## **East Palestine Train Derailment**

New Castle News: Some East Palestine derailment settlement payments should go out even during appeal of the deal

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AP: Some East Palestine derailment settlement payments should go out even during appeal of the deal

<https://apnews.com/article/east-palestine-derailment-norfolk-southern-settlement-a65700f8dcac0385dcae9f1548f09eb1>

## **Air**

Tribune-Review: Greensburg considers ban on open burning to curb pollution

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/greensburg-considers-ban-on-open-burning-to-curb-pollution/>

## **Climate Change**

Allegheny Front: Volunteers knock on doors to create climate 'super-voters' in Pennsylvania

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/pennsylvania-presidential-election-climate-super-voters/>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Levittown Now: Seven Reasons Why Pennsylvanians Should Be Excited About Fall

<https://levittownnow.com/2024/10/09/seven-reasons-why-pennsylvanians-should-be-excited-about-fall/>

Beaver County Radio: Pennsylvania's chances of getting into a car crash and into a crash involving deer

<https://beavercountyradio.com/news/pennsylvanias-chances-of-getting-into-a-car-crash-and-into-a-crash-involving-deer/>

Pittsburgh City Paper: Urban farms in Pittsburgh can feed a hunger, if they're allowed to grow

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Tribune-Review: Spacefaring tree takes root at Pittsburgh's Riverview Park

<https://triblive.com/local/spacefaring-tree-takes-root-at-pittsburghs-riverview-park/>

Lancaster Online: Kellys Run Nature Preserve receives new tract of land to reach over 500 acres of public forest space

[https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/kellys-run-nature-preserve-receives-new-tract-of-land-to-reach-over-500-acres-of/article\\_60ce5024-859f-11ef-ba6f-73162bb62c0c.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/kellys-run-nature-preserve-receives-new-tract-of-land-to-reach-over-500-acres-of/article_60ce5024-859f-11ef-ba6f-73162bb62c0c.html)

## **Energy**

Standard Speaker: Hazle Township zoning hearing on proposed solar farm moved to November 4

[https://www.standardpeaker.com/news/hazle-twp-zoning-hearing-on-proposed-solar-farm-moved-to-nov-4/article\\_40a4a5db-b472-5e55-a17e-6b22aaba68bf.html](https://www.standardpeaker.com/news/hazle-twp-zoning-hearing-on-proposed-solar-farm-moved-to-nov-4/article_40a4a5db-b472-5e55-a17e-6b22aaba68bf.html)

Utility Dive: AEP, Dominion, FirstEnergy propose joint 765-kV transmission projects across PJM

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/aep-dominion-firstenergy-pjm-transmission-projects-rtep/729168/>

## **Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields**

North Penn Now: Neighbor voices environmental concerns about North Penn 'movie lots'

<https://northpennnow.com/news/2024/oct/09/neighbor-voices-environmental-concerns-about-north-penn-movie-lots/>

Philadelphia Tribune: PA reaches \$4.2M settlement over 2019 explosion and fire at a Philadelphia refinery

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## **Oil and Gas**

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WESA: Pa. voters split on fracking but show widespread support for stronger regulations

<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2024-10-09/pennsylvania-voters-fracking-poll-regulations>

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: Leaders must curb pollution from oil, gas

<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-leaders-must-curb-pollution-from-oil-gas/>

Environmental Health News: In the crucial swing state of Pennsylvania, new poll finds 90% of respondents support stricter fracking regulations

<https://www.ehn.org/harris-trump-election-fracking-pennsylvania-2669365490.html>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Fracking poll: More, but not too many, regulations supported

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## **Vector Management**

Penn State News: Rates of a tick-borne parasitic disease are on the rise

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## **Waste**

Clarion News: Trash collection noise irks Paint Twp. Resident

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Lock Haven Express: Misinformation and hoaxes about Helene cloud the recovery

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PennLive: Cyberattack hits U.S.'s largest water utility with service in Pa.

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## **Miscellaneous**

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