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## Top DEP Stories

Altoona Mirror: Gas pipeline work could be near

<http://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2017/04/gas-pipeline-work-could-be-near/>

## Mentions

Allied News: Pa. Rep. Bernstine, a farmer, tells residents there's no budgetary sacred cow

[http://www.alliednews.com/news/pa-rep-bernstine-a-farmer-tells-residents-there-s-no/article\\_8fa5f5d0-b2ee-5e53-882c-462807ac3463.html](http://www.alliednews.com/news/pa-rep-bernstine-a-farmer-tells-residents-there-s-no/article_8fa5f5d0-b2ee-5e53-882c-462807ac3463.html)

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Daily American: Opening day of trout proved so-so

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