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## Top DEP Stories

Lebanon Daily News: Lebanon County commissioners to send letter about pipeline violations  
<https://www.ldnews.com/story/news/local/2018/04/05/lebanon-county-commissioners-send-letter-pipeline-violations/490187002/>

Lebanon Daily News: Pipeline watchdogs talk pipeline trouble (video)  
<https://www.ldnews.com/videos/news/local/2018/04/05/vid-20180405-094353528-trim/490896002/>

## Mentions

Observer-Reporter: More opposition than support for Falcon pipeline during Washington County hearing  
[https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/more-opposition-than-support-for-falcon-pipeline-during-washington-county/article\\_f04b45f6-3874-11e8-9cfa-d3f4f2e7685a.html](https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/more-opposition-than-support-for-falcon-pipeline-during-washington-county/article_f04b45f6-3874-11e8-9cfa-d3f4f2e7685a.html)

Gant Daily: Residents seek legal help from Sandy supervisors to continue opposition to disposal injection well  
<https://gantdaily.com/2018/04/05/resident-seeks-legal-help-from-sandy-supers-to-continue-opposition-to-disposal-injection-well/>

Sunbury Daily Item: Across the Valley: Vehicle tire collection event to be held  
[http://www.dailyitem.com/news/local\\_news/across-the-valley-inmate-allegedly-consumed-lysol/article\\_5cb3956a-2a58-585e-9617-a726b7b70a8b.html](http://www.dailyitem.com/news/local_news/across-the-valley-inmate-allegedly-consumed-lysol/article_5cb3956a-2a58-585e-9617-a726b7b70a8b.html)

Pegula-backed fracking waste firm uses racist language to attack opponents  
<https://news.littlesis.org/2018/04/04/pegula-backed-fracking-waste-firm-uses-racist-language-to-attack-opponents/>

Scranton Times: Jermyn officials frustrated with Rushbrook Creek project status  
<http://thetimes-tribune.com/news/jermyn-officials-frustrated-with-rushbrook-creek-project-status-1.2322639>

## Air

FOX43: AG Shapiro sues EPA for ignoring responsibility under Clean Air Act to control methane pollution  
<http://fox43.com/2018/04/05/ag-shapiro-sues-epa-for-ignoring-responsibility-under-clean-air-act-to-control-methane-pollution/>

Post-Gazette: Could America's carmakers regret what they wished for on fuel-efficiency regulations?  
<http://www.post-gazette.com/powersource/companies/2018/04/05/Could-America-s-carmakers-regret-what-they-wished-for-on-fuel-efficiency-regulations/stories/201804030215>

## Climate Change

York Daily Record: Climate change in PA: It's real. It's not all bad news.

<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/2018/04/05/climate-change-pa-its-real-its-not-all-bad-news/481979002/>

StateImpact PA: Poll: Climate change causing problems for significant number of Pennsylvanians  
<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2018/04/05/poll-climate-change-causing-problems-for-significant-number-of-pennsylvanians/>

## **Conservation & Recreation**

Sunbury Daily Item: Commission opens area of Little Shamokin Creek for kids  
[http://www.dailyitem.com/news/local\\_news/commission-opens-area-of-little-shamokin-creek-for-kids/article\\_baadabe8-7a6a-573e-9f7d-f4c6a1d67ed0.html](http://www.dailyitem.com/news/local_news/commission-opens-area-of-little-shamokin-creek-for-kids/article_baadabe8-7a6a-573e-9f7d-f4c6a1d67ed0.html)

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Fishing Creek group schedules public meetings on vernal pools  
<http://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/040518/page/5/story/fishing-creek-group-schedules-public-meetings>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Lawmakers sinking fish commission (LTE)  
<http://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/040618/page/8/story/lawmakers-sinking-fish-commission>

abc27: Columbia getting ready to revamp River Park  
<http://www.abc27.com/news/local/lancaster/columbia-getting-ready-to-revamp-river-park/1103255891>

Morning Call: Slate Belt resident on proposed \$26M sludge plant: 'Anybody who thinks that's acceptable is sadly confused'  
<http://www.mcall.com/business/mc-biz-plainfield-township-sludge-plant-meeting-20180404-story.html>

Tribune-Review: Washington film festival highlights fly fishing culture  
<http://triblive.com/local/regional/13499053-74/washington-film-festival-highlights-fly-fishing-culture>

Tribune-Review: Hunters in Pennsylvania harvested 3,438 bears in 2017 — 9th-most in state history  
<http://triblive.com/local/regional/13498804-74/hunters-in-pennsylvania-harvested-3438-bears-in-2017-9th-most-in-state>

Tribune-Review: Greensburg plans almost \$500,000 for Five Star Trail improvements  
<http://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/13500098-74/greensburg-plans-almost-500000-for-five-star-trail-improvements>

## **Drought**

Tribune-Review: Trib Thursday wrap: Caution urged during brush fire season  
<http://triblive.com/opinion/editorials/13495016-74/trib-thursday-wrap-caution-urged-during-brush-fire-season>

## **Energy**

Pennlive: Nuke plant shutdowns will have ripples across Pa. economy

[http://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2018/04/nuke\\_plant\\_shutdowns\\_will\\_have.html#incart\\_river\\_index](http://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2018/04/nuke_plant_shutdowns_will_have.html#incart_river_index)

FOX43: Pennsylvania Utility Commission will investigate a proposed rate hike by Columbia Gas  
<http://fox43.com/2018/04/05/pennsylvania-utility-commission-will-investigate-a-proposed-rate-hike-by-columbia-gas/>

Times News: Penn Forest hires consulting engineer for wind turbine matters  
<https://www.tnonline.com/penn-forest-hires-consulting-engineer-wind-turbine-matters>

Beaver County Times: Agencies plan for possible FirstEnergy layoffs  
<http://www.timesonline.com/news/20180404/agencies-plan-for-possible-firstenergy-layoffs>

Press and Journal: Pennsylvania continues to push, look at long-term effects of electric vehicles  
<http://pressandjournal.com/stories/pennsylvania-continues-to-push-look-at-long-term-effects-of-electric-vehicles,31216>

### **Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields**

Tribune-Review: Trib editorial: New Kensington rising  
<http://triblive.com/opinion/editorials/13498684-74/trib-editorial-new-kensington-rising>

### **Mining**

Tribune-Review: Scout's Eagle project will clear No. 2 mine entrance in Export  
<http://triblive.com/local/murrysville/13501328-74/scouts-eagle-project-will-clear-no-2-mine-entrance-in-export>

Tribune Review: Pennsylvania bituminous coal numbers nearly even with 2017  
<http://triblive.com/state/pennsylvania/13503174-74/pennsylvania-bituminous-coal-numbers-nearly-even-with-2017>

### **Oil and Gas**

Beaver County Times: Letter: It is Shell's responsibility to protect our water  
<http://www.timesonline.com/opinion/20180405/letter-it-is-shells-responsibility-to-protect-our-water>

Tribune Review: West Virginia makes change, also sought in Pennsylvania, to protect gas royalties  
<http://triblive.com/state/pennsylvania/13498746-74/west-virginia-makes-change-also-sought-in-pennsylvania-to-protect-gas-royalties>

Post-Gazette LTE: Gov. Wolf's words on gas development ring hollow  
<http://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/letters/2018/04/05/Gov-Wolf-s-words-on-gas-development-ring-hollow/stories/201804050013>

Post-Gazette: Pa. court redefines some fracking as trespassing  
<http://www.post-gazette.com/powersource/policy-powersource/2018/04/05/fracking-trespassing-rule-of-capture-Briggs-Southwestern-Energy/stories/201804040139>

Allegheny Front: The Shale Dilemma Goes Global

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/the-shale-dilemma-goes-global/>

Tribune Review: Fracking ruling sets course to end uncompensated gas extraction in state

<http://triblive.com/state/pennsylvania/13502531-74/fracking-ruling-sets-course-to-end-uncompensated-gas-extraction-in-state>

## **Waste**

Bradford Era: Smethport recycling bins temporarily moved

[http://www.bradfordera.com/news/recycling-bins-temporarily-moved/article\\_b64f2c0e-37b2-11e8-9ed1-cbe2e6b58ac3.html](http://www.bradfordera.com/news/recycling-bins-temporarily-moved/article_b64f2c0e-37b2-11e8-9ed1-cbe2e6b58ac3.html)

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Dispose of drugs safely

<http://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/040618/page/3/story/dispose-of-drugs-safely>

Tribune-Review: Penn Hills regulates dumpster container usage in residential areas

<http://triblive.com/local/pennhills/13499492-74/penn-hills-regulates-dumpster-container-usage-in-residential-areas>

Post-Gazette: All this trash makes our region look like a dump

<http://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/letters/2018/04/05/All-this-trash-makes-our-region-look-like-a-dump/stories/201804050078>

Tribune-Review: Penn Hills groups rally to pick up litter through April

<http://triblive.com/local/pennhills/13495409-74/penn-hills-groups-rally-to-pick-up-litter-through-april>

Go Erie: Will Erie's cleanup expand?

<http://www.goerie.com/news/20180406/will-eries-cleanup-expand>

## **Water**

Milton Standard Journal: Sewer components arriving in Kelly

[http://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article\\_91580be0-3989-11e8-b771-03d4e2873f00.html](http://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article_91580be0-3989-11e8-b771-03d4e2873f00.html)

Pennlive: Gushing water, flushing hydrants: Inspection, maintenance of Harrisburg's fire hydrants underway

[http://www.pennlive.com/news/2018/04/hydrant\\_flushing\\_begins\\_in\\_har.html](http://www.pennlive.com/news/2018/04/hydrant_flushing_begins_in_har.html)

WITF: Crash sends millions of plastic pellets into state waterways

<http://www.witf.org/news/2018/04/crash-sends-millions-of-plastic-pellets-into-state-waterways.php>

Times News: West Penn board seeks input on water extraction ordinance

<https://www.tnonline.com/west-penn-board-seeks-input-water-extraction-ordinance>

Morning Call: Thousands of plastic pellets have spilled into waterways in Poconos: "This is going to be extremely challenging"

<http://www.mcall.com/news/local/mc-nws-plastic-pollution-poconos-20180403-story.html>

Beaver County Times: Patterson Twp. to consider sewer rate increase

<http://www.timesonline.com/news/20180404/patterson-twp-to-consider-sewer-rate-increase>

Tribune-Review: Harmar Water Authority to start flushing hydrants on April 16

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New Castle News: More citations filed against recycling firm

[http://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/more-citations-filed-against-recycling-firm/article\\_0b3676e2-3929-11e8-8d41-07c96acbcf8a.html](http://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/more-citations-filed-against-recycling-firm/article_0b3676e2-3929-11e8-8d41-07c96acbcf8a.html)

WTAE: Route 30 westbound in East Pittsburgh closed indefinitely

<http://www.wtae.com/article/route-30-westbound-in-east-pittsburgh-closed-indefinitely/19683098>

WTAE: Northbound Route 65 partially open again after landslide

<http://www.wtae.com/article/landslide-shuts-down-route-65-northbound/19684895>

Observer-Reporter: EDITORIAL Pruitt's behavior is an embarrassment to the EPA

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Tribune-Review: Tarentum could update ordinances on utility theft, boat dock use

<http://triblive.com/local/valleynewsdispatch/13496172-74/tarentum-could-update-ordinances-on-utility-theft-boat-dock-use>