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## **Top DEP Stories**

PA Environment Digest: DEP Files Contempt Of Court Action, Fines Eureka Resources \$100,000 For Multiple Violations At Oil & Gas Wastewater Treatment Facilities In Bradford, Lycoming Counties  
<https://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2026/04/dep-files-contempt-of-court-action.html>

## **Mentions**

Morning Call: Can you get 150 poop trucks past deer and DEP inspectors? ICE warehouse opponents want to see you try  
<https://www.mcall.com/2026/04/02/can-you-get-150-poop-trucks-past-deer-and-dep-inspectors-ice-warehouse-opponents-want-to-see-you-try/>

Lock Haven Express: DEP provides update on oily sheen report on West Branch near Clearfield  
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2026/04/dep-provides-update-on-oily-sheen-report-on-west-branch-near-clearfield/>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

WJAC: New Pennsylvania bill aims to make hunting season start on first Monday after Thanksgiving  
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/new-pennsylvania-bill-aims-to-make-hunting-season-start-on-first-monday-after-thanksgiving>

Allegheny Front: A wildlife biologist's birding guide brings everyone into the flock  
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/a-wildlife-biologists-new-birding-guide-brings-everyone-into-the-flock/>

TribLive: Work to restore historic Massy Harbison cabin in New Kensington to continue despite funding setback  
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/work-to-restore-historic-massy-harbison-cabin-in-new-kensington-to-continue-despite-funding-setback/>

Lebtown: E. Hanover Twp. residents push back on proposed agriculture conservation zoning  
<https://lebtown.com/2026/04/03/e-hanover-twp-residents-push-back-on-proposed-agriculture-conservation-zoning/>

WFNZ: Volunteers plant trees for streambank stabilization project  
[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/volunteers-plant-trees-for-streambank-stabilization-project/article\\_fec4b4f0-6dbc-4bed-a077-1b4d1b41dee8.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/volunteers-plant-trees-for-streambank-stabilization-project/article_fec4b4f0-6dbc-4bed-a077-1b4d1b41dee8.html)

Bradford Era: Volunteers needed for April 11 habitat project on state game land

<https://www.bradfordera.com/2026/04/02/volunteers-needed-april-11-habitat-project-state-game-land/>

WNEP: Pocono Whitewater looks to hire 100 workers for upcoming rafting season

<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/local/carbon-county/pocono-whitewater-rafting-prepares-for-opening-season-carbon-county-jim-thorpe-route-93/523-8b75dfc9-bb79-4b43-8573-8cd5ad5aeae0?tbref=hp>

Lehighvalleylive: Drivers beware: Select Pennsylvania roads closing to protect migrating amphibians

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/outdoors/2026/03/drivers-beware-select-pennsylvania-roads-closing-to-protect-migrating-amphibians.html>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Trout is being stocked in area creeks

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/04/03/5/trout-being-stocked-area-creeks>

## **Data Centers**

Pittsburgh Business Times: Pennsylvania data center boom projected to add \$12B in annual output, 19,400 jobs by 2036

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2026/04/02/data-centers-pennsylvania-study.html>

Allegheny Front: Panel discusses how energy demand from data centers nationwide will impact Pennsylvania

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/energy-demand-from-data-centers-nationwide-impact-pennsylvania/>

Chambersburg Public Opinion: People speak out as Franklin county aims to regulate data centers

<https://www.publicopiniononline.com/story/news/local/2026/04/03/opposition-evident-at-franklin-county-hearing-on-data-centers/89423780007/>

WITF: Panel discusses how energy demand from data centers nationwide will impact Pennsylvania

<https://www.witf.org/2026/04/03/panel-discusses-how-energy-demand-from-data-centers-nationwide-will-impact-pennsylvania/>

Republican Herald: Petition aims to soften environmental impact of Mountain Valley Golf Course development

<https://www.republicanherald.com/2026/04/02/petition-aims-to-soften-environmental-impact-of-mountain-valley-golf-course-development/>

Milton Standard-Journal: Residents question PNK Group on proposed Gregg Township AI data centers

[https://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article\\_52b78b5f-78a4-40a7-a399-1f2e3de4f2ca.html](https://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article_52b78b5f-78a4-40a7-a399-1f2e3de4f2ca.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Residents learn more, push back on proposed data center in Allenwood

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/residents-learn-more-push-back-on-proposed-data-center-in-allenwood/article\\_02f22841-8ada-4587-b59c-1c26747ba7db.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/residents-learn-more-push-back-on-proposed-data-center-in-allenwood/article_02f22841-8ada-4587-b59c-1c26747ba7db.html)

## **Energy**

WJAC: 'We have concerns:' Pa consumer advocates share opposition to \$1.7B powerline project  
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/we-have-concerns-pa-consumer-advocates-share-opposition-billion-dollar-powerline-project-electric-grid-pennsylvania>

Herald-Standard: \$1.7 billion power project would cross Greene, Fayette counties  
[https://www.heraldstandard.com/editors\\_pick/2026/apr/02/1-7-billion-power-project-would-cross-greene-fayette-counties/](https://www.heraldstandard.com/editors_pick/2026/apr/02/1-7-billion-power-project-would-cross-greene-fayette-counties/)

CBS21: 'We need energy': Perry County locals react to future power line plans  
<https://local21news.com/news/local/we-need-energy-perry-county-locals-react-to-future-power-line-plans>

WGAL: UGI proposes 8% rate increase | Call-in hearings today for customers  
<https://www.wgal.com/article/pa-ugi-proposes-8-percent-rate-increase-call-in-hearings/70927124>

Levittown Now: Local Lawmakers Say They Oppose Proposed PECO Rate Hikes  
[https://levittownnow.com/2026/04/02/local-lawmakers-say-they-oppose-proposed-peco-rate-hikes/#google\\_vignette](https://levittownnow.com/2026/04/02/local-lawmakers-say-they-oppose-proposed-peco-rate-hikes/#google_vignette)

## **Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields**

Bradford Era: 22nd Annual Allegheny Reservoir Cleanup Day set May 9  
<https://www.bradfordera.com/2026/04/02/22nd-annual-allegheny-reservoir-cleanup-day-set-may-9/>

Standard Speaker: Pitching in: Employees from Henkel clean up community  
<https://www.standardspeaker.com/2026/04/02/pitching-in-employees-from-henkel-clean-up-community/>

## **Oil and Gas**

WHYY: 'Ridiculous, absurd': Philadelphia-area gas prices top \$4 a gallon for the first time in 4 years  
<https://whyy.org/articles/gas-prices-philadelphia-iran-war/>

## **PFAS**

WHYY: Trump administration proposes new research for microplastics, pharmaceuticals in drinking water  
<https://whyy.org/articles/microplastics-pharmaceuticals-drinking-water-epa-trump/>

## **Vector Management**

Chambersburg Public Opinion: Franklin County ramps up mosquito and tick surveillance for summer

<https://www.publicopiniononline.com/story/news/local/2026/04/01/mosquito-and-tick-surveillance-returns-across-franklin-county/89399486007/>

## **Waste**

Lancaster Online: Manheim officials hope dog waste bag dispensers help keep borough parks cleaner  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/regional/manheim-officials-hope-dog-waste-bag-dispensers-help-keep-borough-parks-cleaner/article\\_815aa253-0d79-4df1-9fac-4173f130836a.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/regional/manheim-officials-hope-dog-waste-bag-dispensers-help-keep-borough-parks-cleaner/article_815aa253-0d79-4df1-9fac-4173f130836a.html)

WHYY: 'I can't stand litter': County employees among crew cleaning up 'filthy' Caln Road  
<https://www.dailylocal.com/2026/04/03/i-cant-stand-litter-county-employees-among-crew-cleaning-up-filthy-caln-road/>

## **Water**

TribLive: Monroeville receives \$1 million to replace aging asbestos-cement water lines  
<https://triblive.com/local/monroeville/monroeville-receives-1-million-to-replace-aging-asbestos-cement-water-lines/>

My Chesco.com: Opening Day Trout Season Brings Limits, Safety Rules  
[https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/pennsylvania/opening-day-trout-season-brings-limits-safety-rules/#google\\_vignette](https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/pennsylvania/opening-day-trout-season-brings-limits-safety-rules/#google_vignette)

Butler Eagle: EPA moves to designate microplastics and pharmaceuticals as contaminants in drinking water  
<https://www.butlereagle.com/20260403/epa-moves-to-designate-microplastics-and-pharmaceuticals-as-contaminants-in-drinking-water/>

Citizens Voice: Horton Street in Wilkes-Barre needs 1,400 feet of stormwater pipe repaired  
<https://www.citizensvoice.com/2026/04/02/horton-street-in-wilkes-barre-needs-1400-feet-of-stormwater-pipe-repaired/>

WOLF: Duryea awaits BRIC funding as FEMA returns amid DHS shutdown  
<https://fox56.com/news/local/duryea-awaits-bric-funding-as-fema-returns-amid-dhs-shutdown>

## **Miscellaneous**

WJAC: Diesel, fertilizer prices remain high, causing major issues for Pennsylvania farmers  
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/diesel-fertilizer-prices-remain-high-cause-major-issues-for-farmers>

WFMZ: Berks commissioners discuss pause on proposed ICE facilities  
[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/berks-commissioners-discuss-pause-on-proposed-ice-facilities/article\\_fbe144d8-f8dd-46d2-992b-e1d1af22671a.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/berks-commissioners-discuss-pause-on-proposed-ice-facilities/article_fbe144d8-f8dd-46d2-992b-e1d1af22671a.html)

Meadville Tribune: Bull Moose Marketing selected by PA Wilds Center to develop marketing plan

[https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/bull-moose-marketing-selected-by-pa-wilds-center-to-develop-marketing-plan/article\\_4ed09468-3b7a-4a35-9b20-2854ab48382c.html](https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/bull-moose-marketing-selected-by-pa-wilds-center-to-develop-marketing-plan/article_4ed09468-3b7a-4a35-9b20-2854ab48382c.html)