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Top DEP Stories

Lancaster Newspapers: State approves air pollution plan for \$59M Perdue soybean plant in Conoy Township

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Conservation & Recreation

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Energy

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<http://triblive.com/state/pennsylvania/12631857-74/pennsylvania-coal-companies-ramping-up-production>

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