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Top DEP Stories

Centre County Gazette: County gets Growing Greener grant to reduce water pollution
<http://www.statecollege.com/news/centre-county-gazette/county-gets-growing-greener-grant-to-reduce-water-pollution,1478831/>

Mentions

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<http://www.witf.org/news/2018/12/spills-shutdowns-and-legal-challenges-a-tumultuous-year-for-mariner-east-2.php>

Express Times: Slate Belt township will vote on multimillion-dollar sewer plan
https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/slate-belt/index.ssf/2018/12/slate_belt_township_will_vote.html

Shamokin News-Item: AOAA's plan: Increasing opportunities
https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/aoaa-s-plan-increasing-opportunities/article_fcd1b899-5490-5bb1-b59e-240f30fc1100.html

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: New event venue in Mifflin Township gets conditional approval
<http://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2018/12/new-event-venue-in-mifflin-township-gets-conditional-approval/>

Air

Tribune-Review: Justin Wasser: Industry should walk its talk on methane pollution
<https://triblive.com/opinion/featuredcommentary/14442896-74/justin-wasser-industry-should-walk-its-talk-on-methane-pollution>

Climate Change

York Dispatch: OPED: Methane pollution limits reflect conservative values
<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/opinion/contributors/2018/12/24/oped-methane-pollution-limits-reflect-conservative-values/2409626002/>

WITF/StateImpact: Climate change in Pennsylvania: A look back at 2018 and ahead at 2019
<http://www.witf.org/news/2018/12/climate-change-in-pennsylvania-a-look-back-at-2018-and-ahead-at-2019.php>

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<https://whyy.org/articles/climate-change-in-pennsylvania-a-look-back-at-2018-and-ahead-at-2019/>

WHYY: Heading into 2019, action on climate change divides GOP in Congress
<https://whyy.org/articles/heading-into-2019-action-on-climate-change-divides-gop-in-congress/>

Conservation & Recreation

Chester County Daily Local: 2018 was a big year for land conservation in southern Chester County
https://www.dailylocal.com/news/local/was-a-big-year-for-land-conservation-in-southern-chester/article_c2ebd7b6-0451-11e9-a07f-3744ebdd7103.html

Lancaster Newspapers: Cocalico Creek bridge completion will allow full opening of 7-mile Warwick to Ephrata Rail Trail
https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/cocalico-creek-bridge-completion-will-allow-full-opening-of-/article_9f2efac2-0557-11e9-9aa3-976c77c00028.html

Doylestown Intelligencer: As feds debate bird law, Bucks towns aim to boost local populations
<http://www.theintell.com/news/20181224/as-feds-debate-bird-law-bucks-towns-aim-to-boost-local-populations>

Meadville Tribune: Fair Board tightens ATV, golf cart rules during county fair
https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/fair-board-tightens-atv-golf-cart-rules-during-county-fair/article_c9c7a966-0591-11e9-aa40-c3f0587cdf14.html

Energy

Pennlive: Gas prices keep falling in Harrisburg area
<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2018/12/gas-prices-keep-falling-in-harrisburg-area.html>

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<http://www.statecollege.com/news/local-news/penns-valley-food-market-is-going-solar,1478847/>

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<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2018/12/26/solar-co-ops-grow-in-western-pa/>

Scranton Times: UGI: Exact cause of valve release opening unknown at Jessup plant
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/news/ugi-exact-cause-of-valve-release-opening-unknown-at-jessup-plant-1.2425840>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Year in Review: Top 5 energy stories of 2018
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2018/12/26/year-in-review-top-5-energy-stories-of-2018.html>

Mining

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Erie Times: Federal OK given for Erie-to-Ohio gas pipeline
<http://www.goerie.com/news/20181226/federal-ok-given-for-erie-to-ohio-gas-pipeline>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Year in Review: 2018 saw some big natural gas company shakeups
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2018/12/26/year-in-review-2018-saw-some-big-natural-gas.html>

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<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2018/12/24/shale-drilling-tests-to-start-in-west-virginia.html>

Vector Management

Morning Call: State announces grants for spotted lanternfly research
<https://www.mcall.com/news/breaking/mc-nws-spotted-lanternfly-grants-20181225-story.html>

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Altoona Mirror: Recycling programs offered
<http://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2018/12/recycling-programs-offered/>

Waynesboro Record Herald: Hauler found for Transfer Station
<http://www.therecordherald.com/news/20181220/hauler-found-for-transfer-station>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Rural Montour can still recycle
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/122518/page/1/story/rural-montour-can-still-recycle>

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<https://triblive.com/local/valleynewsdispatch/14443269-74/cameras-help-nab-illegal-dumpers-in-arnold>

Water

Carlisle Sentinel: Hill Street project completion in Mount Holly delayed until spring
https://cumberlink.com/news/local/communities/mount_holly_springs/hill-street-project-completion-in-mount-holly-delayed-until-spring/article_8a8ba6a3-5731-5158-96bd-84f31bc92ac8.html

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<https://www.post-gazette.com/local/city/2018/12/25/Washington-Boulevard-floodgates-repairs-Penn-DOT-Guy-Costa-Cheryl-Moon-Sirianni/stories/201812250024>

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Morning Call: Buckets of rain: 2018 has been one of the wettest years on record in the Lehigh Valley
<https://www.mcall.com/news/local/mc-nws-wet-year-20181224-story.html>

AP News: High water to keep Washington's crossing reenactors on land

<https://apnews.com/69ddf4442ff441c9959888f53e7badf9>

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Carlisle Sentinel: Boiling Springs native competes in sustainable design in Dubai

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Morning Call: Why you might see thousands of snow geese congregating along Lehigh Valley highways

<https://www.mcall.com/mc-nws-snow-geese-flock-route-22-story.html>

Daily American: Hazmat team hands out award

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