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## **Top DEP Stories**

Pennlive: \$236M will fund 25 water projects in 17 Pa. counties: Gov. Wolf

<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2023/01/236m-will-fund-25-water-projects-in-17-pa-counties-gov-wolf.html>

Reading Eagle: 2 Berks projects awarded environmental grants

<https://www.readingeagle.com/2023/01/12/2-berks-projects-given-environmental-grants/>

Sanatoga Post: Local Projects Benefit From Seven New State Grants

<https://sanatogapost.com/2023/01/12/seven-grants-local-projects/>

Bradford Era: Wolf Administration announces funds for conservation project

[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/wolf-administration-announces-funds-for-conservation-project/article\\_eec28e13-de93-5af1-b8f2-e4fd980c785a.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/wolf-administration-announces-funds-for-conservation-project/article_eec28e13-de93-5af1-b8f2-e4fd980c785a.html)

## **Mentions**

WITF/StateImpact: Pa. natural gas plant explosion under investigation in Washington County

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2023/01/12/pa-natural-gas-plant-explosion-under-investigation-in-washington-county/>

## **Air**

Philly Voice: SEPTA buses 'go green' with Eagles partnership aimed at reducing Philadelphia's carbon footprint

<https://www.phillyvoice.com/eagles-and-septa-partnership-go-green-save-environment/>

## **Climate Change**

Post-Gazette: 2022 was fifth or sixth warmest on record as Earth heats up

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2023/01/12/2022-earth-global-warming-denver-climate-change-la-nina/stories/202301120122>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Daily Local: Willistown Conservation Trust gets \$260,000 grant for lawn conversion program

<https://www.dailylocal.com/2023/01/12/willistown-conservation-trust-gets-260000-grant-for-lawn-conversion-program/>

ChesCO: 20 Pennsylvania Projects Receive \$520,219 in Urban Agriculture Infrastructure Grants

<https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/pennsylvania/20-pennsylvania-projects-receive-520219-in-urban-agriculture-infrastructure-grants/>

WHYY: Discover the 'hidden gems' of Philly's Fairmount Park via scavenger hunt Fairmount Park hosts WinTOUR Scavenger Hunt

<https://whyy.org/articles/philadelphia-fairmount-park-wintour-savenger-hunt/>

WTAJ: Central Pennsylvania receiving funds for conservation projects

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/central-pennsylvania-receiving-funds-for-conservation-projects/>

Daily American: Somerset Lake fundraiser campaign

<https://www.dailyamerican.com/story/news/2023/01/13/somerset-lake-nature-park-launches-fundraising-campaign/69796024007/>

Daily Item: East Buffalo Township gets \$685K grant to cover land purchase for parks

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/east-buffalo-township-gets-685k-grant-to-cover-land-purchase-for-parks/article\\_a1396bd0-92a3-11ed-af44-1bffd14fddba.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/east-buffalo-township-gets-685k-grant-to-cover-land-purchase-for-parks/article_a1396bd0-92a3-11ed-af44-1bffd14fddba.html)

## **Energy**

York Dispatch: Clean energy permitting reform needed for Pa. to boost economy, protect climate and burn less coal

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/opinion/contributors/2023/01/11/clean-energy-permitting-reform-needed-for-pa-to-boost-economy-protect-climate-and-burn-less-coal/69798464007/>

Daily Review: Yaw discusses redistricting, energy, environment in Telephone Town Hall

[https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/yaw-discusses-redistricting-energy-environment-in-telephone-town-hall/article\\_326a6f9a-f50f-5dd4-bc33-973801e65d2a.html](https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/yaw-discusses-redistricting-energy-environment-in-telephone-town-hall/article_326a6f9a-f50f-5dd4-bc33-973801e65d2a.html)

## **Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields**

Inquirer: After two years and \$23M, Camden County's most costly environmental project comes to a close

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/newton-lake-camden-county-south-jersey-haddon-township-oaklyn-collingswood-20230113.html>

## **Oil and Gas**

Bucks County Courier Times/Intelligencer: Why gas & booze prices are increasing in Pa. (No, it's not just due to inflation.)

<https://www.buckscountycouriertimes.com/story/news/politics/elections/2023/01/13/why-the-costs-of-liquor-and-gasoline-in-pennsylvania-are-rising-tax-plcb/69798364007/>

Inquirer: Calm down, the government isn't coming for your gas stove Gas stove ban denied by Biden officials, dangers prompt debate

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/gas-stove-ban-biden-safety-20230112.html>

WHYY: PGW says its gas lines did not cause the Port Richmond explosion. That doesn't mean it wasn't gas

<https://why.org/articles/philadelphia-port-richmond-explosion-pgw-says-gas-lines-not-cause-interior-gas-leak/>

## **Waste**

WHYY: You can change your life: North Philly e-waste recycler employs and supports people coming home from prison

<https://why.org/articles/philadelphia-par-recycle-works-reentry/>

abc27: York County waste company destroyed 2.6 tons of medications in 2022

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/york/york-county-waste-company-destroyed-2-6-tons-of-medications-in-2022/>

Tribune-Democrat: Portage gets \$8.6M for sewer work as Langerholc joins PENNVEST board

[https://www.tribdem.com/news/portage-gets-8-6m-for-sewer-work-as-langerholc-joins-pennvest-board/article\\_78c01bf6-9297-11ed-9a1e-db9a0f97b0b7.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/portage-gets-8-6m-for-sewer-work-as-langerholc-joins-pennvest-board/article_78c01bf6-9297-11ed-9a1e-db9a0f97b0b7.html)

## **Water**

Morning Call: A Lehigh Valley community stopped flouridating is water. Here's why advocate say that's a bad idea

<https://www.mcall.com/news/local/mc-nws-lehigh-valley-fluoride-20230113-uykgbhdrwvbxfltsjwja352t7y-story.html>

Bedford Gazette: Saxton agrees to water meter variance

[https://www.bedfordgazette.com/news/local/saxton-agrees-to-water-meter-variance/article\\_935a5e72-3d37-5687-9614-6737c4bfb75b.html](https://www.bedfordgazette.com/news/local/saxton-agrees-to-water-meter-variance/article_935a5e72-3d37-5687-9614-6737c4bfb75b.html)

Tribune-Democrat: Costs rising for North Fork Dam improvements as state OK still pending

[https://www.tribdem.com/news/costs-rising-for-north-fork-dam-improvements-as-state-ok-still-pending/article\\_050981f6-91c1-11ed-b41c-03780619117d.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/costs-rising-for-north-fork-dam-improvements-as-state-ok-still-pending/article_050981f6-91c1-11ed-b41c-03780619117d.html)

## **Miscellaneous**

abc27: Adams, Franklin Counties to receive water infrastructure improvements

<https://www.abc27.com/pennsylvania/adams-franklin-counties-to-receive-water-infrastructure-improvements/>

WTAJ: Curwensville receives over \$2 mil. for water infrastructure

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/curwensville-receives-over-2-mil-for-water-infrastructure/>

WFMZ: Investigators search Berks landfill in possible connection with disappearance of Jennifer Brown

[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/investigators-search-berks-landfill-in-possible-connection-with-disappearance-of-jennifer-brown/article\\_a833cbc0-92de-11ed-b3ed-db777324b39e.html#tncms-source=Homepage-Top-Stories](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/investigators-search-berks-landfill-in-possible-connection-with-disappearance-of-jennifer-brown/article_a833cbc0-92de-11ed-b3ed-db777324b39e.html#tncms-source=Homepage-Top-Stories)