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## Top DEP Stories

Bay Journal: Report: Third of PA waterways impaired

[https://www.bayjournal.com/news/pollution/report-third-of-pa-waterways-impaired/article\\_e49334c2-d1cd-11ea-a9da-abf33a98e4d8.html](https://www.bayjournal.com/news/pollution/report-third-of-pa-waterways-impaired/article_e49334c2-d1cd-11ea-a9da-abf33a98e4d8.html)

My ChesCo: DEP Issues Code Orange Air Quality Action Day for Ozone for Thursday, July 30, 2020

<https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/pennsylvania/dep-issues-code-orange-air-quality-action-day-for-ozone-for-thursday-july-30-2020/>

## Mentions

Tribune-Review: Unmarked abandoned mine discovery puts stability of Painters Run Road in Scott into question

<https://triblive.com/local/pittsburgh-allegheny/unmarked-abandoned-mine-discovery-puts-stability-of-painters-run-road-in-scott-into-question/>

Post-Gazette: Commuters passing through Painters Run Road to expect more traffic changes

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/transportation/2020/07/29/Painters-Run-Road-part-has-unexpectedly-closed/stories/202007290119>

Wellsboro Gazette: Senator raises questions about Pennsylvania DEP consultant

[http://www.tiogapublishing.com/news/state/senator-raises-questions-about-pennsylvania-dep-consultant/article\\_b5411db9-7e2a-5b23-9958-342e73fadd15.html](http://www.tiogapublishing.com/news/state/senator-raises-questions-about-pennsylvania-dep-consultant/article_b5411db9-7e2a-5b23-9958-342e73fadd15.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Pre-registration open for solar webinar

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/local\\_news/pre-registration-open-for-solar-webinar/article\\_a37ad32f-c7db-549a-bb0d-b4990b8d0030.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/local_news/pre-registration-open-for-solar-webinar/article_a37ad32f-c7db-549a-bb0d-b4990b8d0030.html)

## Climate Change

Observer-Reporter: OP-ED: Time to stop apologizing for our success

[https://observer-reporter.com/opinion/op-eds/op-ed-time-to-stop-apologizing-for-our-success/article\\_a176b404-d1a3-11ea-bc40-6b9396b6194e.html](https://observer-reporter.com/opinion/op-eds/op-ed-time-to-stop-apologizing-for-our-success/article_a176b404-d1a3-11ea-bc40-6b9396b6194e.html)

## Conservation & Recreation

Clarion News: Local state parks see a surge in visitors

[https://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/article\\_008ed01d-b97d-5a9a-b6f1-cd14be58d249.html](https://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/article_008ed01d-b97d-5a9a-b6f1-cd14be58d249.html)

Kane Republican: Marilla Trails Landing is planned (pg 4)

<https://kanerepublican.com/sites/default/files/KR-07-30-2020.pdf>

Huntingdon Daily News: Tool can help with conservation practices

[https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/tool-can-help-with-conservation-practices/article\\_b8cc552e-8058-55c3-9108-c4f37b03ae5c.html](https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/tool-can-help-with-conservation-practices/article_b8cc552e-8058-55c3-9108-c4f37b03ae5c.html)

Huntingdon Daily News: Bedford County leaders contribute to trail project

[https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/bedford-county-leaders-contribute-to-trail-project/article\\_522a1fd8-90cf-5d09-9695-b8bb3ab7f502.html](https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/bedford-county-leaders-contribute-to-trail-project/article_522a1fd8-90cf-5d09-9695-b8bb3ab7f502.html)

CBS21: Bucknell professor warns that fireflies are at risk for 'blinking out'

<https://local21news.com/news/local/bucknell-professor-warns-that-fireflies-are-at-risk-for-blinking-out>

The Guardian: Loss of bees causes shortage of key food crops, study finds

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2020/jul/29/bees-food-crops-shortage-study>

Tribune-Review: Laurel Highlands in running for best fall foliage destination

<https://triblive.com/local/regional/laurel-highlands-in-running-for-best-fall-foliage-destination/>

Next Pittsburgh: Great getaway trips from Pittsburgh for trails, lakes and beaches

<https://nextpittsburgh.com/features/great-getaway-trips-from-pittsburgh-for-trails-lakes-and-beaches/>

## **Energy**

The Center Square: Erie biodiesel plant hopes to raise profile of alternative energy in Pennsylvania

[https://www.thecentersquare.com/pennsylvania/erie-biodiesel-plant-hopes-to-raise-profile-of-alternative-energy-in-pennsylvania/article\\_f9ad26f0-d197-11ea-aa6d-afbac19a5ae6.html](https://www.thecentersquare.com/pennsylvania/erie-biodiesel-plant-hopes-to-raise-profile-of-alternative-energy-in-pennsylvania/article_f9ad26f0-d197-11ea-aa6d-afbac19a5ae6.html)

EIA: U.S. energy consumption in April 2020 fell to its lowest level in more than 30 years

<https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=44556>

PublicSource: Allegheny County's departure from heating cooperative raises contracting questions

<https://www.publicsource.org/allegheny-county-steam-peoples-natural-gas-contracting-pittsburgh/>

Post-Gazette: Protect our future

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/letters/2020/07/30/Protect-our-future-1/stories/202007300085>

Sunbury Daily Item: Pandemic driving up home electricity bills

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/snyder\\_county/pandemic-driving-up-home-electricity-bills/article\\_aac230cb-23d7-562c-a4f3-a3a898a835ec.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/snyder_county/pandemic-driving-up-home-electricity-bills/article_aac230cb-23d7-562c-a4f3-a3a898a835ec.html)

## **Mining**

KDKA Radio: He Was There for the Quecreek Mine Rescue, 18 years ago

<https://kdkaradio.radio.com/media/audio-channel/he-was-there-for-the-quecreek-mine-rescue-18-years-ago>

## **Oil and Gas**

Titusville Herald: Gas Price average dips in the state as prices move downward nationwide (pg 2)

[https://www.titusvilleherald.com/eedition/page\\_ac1a1829-96ec-57b2-9297-7f89a4584864.html](https://www.titusvilleherald.com/eedition/page_ac1a1829-96ec-57b2-9297-7f89a4584864.html)

Tribune-Review: Shell profits plunge 82% as pandemic hits energy demand

[https://www.tribdem.com/coronavirus/shell-profits-plunge-82-as-pandemic-hits-energy-demand/article\\_bddb141d-0f22-5dc6-99b7-eee5a7437374.html](https://www.tribdem.com/coronavirus/shell-profits-plunge-82-as-pandemic-hits-energy-demand/article_bddb141d-0f22-5dc6-99b7-eee5a7437374.html)

## **Radiation Protection**

CBS21: Three Mile Island cuts down on emergency response plan

<https://local21news.com/news/local/three-mile-island-cuts-down-on-emergency-response-plan>

FOX43: Three Mile Island downsizes role in local emergency planning

<https://www.fox43.com/article/news/local/dauphin-county/three-mile-island-downsizes-role-in-local-emergency-planning/521-e244a703-f06b-4e78-a643-081a59e1bc16>

## **Waste**

Philadelphia Inquirer: ‘Ya Fav Trashman’ gives an inside look at Philly trash pickup on Instagram and the city is listening

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/philadelphia-trash-collection-yafavtrashman-instagram-ppe-fundraiser-20200730.html>

Times Observer: Cleaning up

<https://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2020/07/cleaning-up-2/>

WJAC: COVID-19 effects on trash hauling, recycling

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/covid-19-effects-on-trash-hauling-recycling>

Tribune-Review: Briefs: Murrysville glass recycling event set for September

<https://triblive.com/local/murrysville/briefs-glass-recycling-event-set-for-sept-in-murrysville/>

## **Water**

Kane Republican: Penn State Extension offers education, testing for earthen-pond owners (pg 4)

<https://kanerepublican.com/sites/default/files/KR-07-30-2020.pdf>

WTAJ: Huntingdon officials prepare plan for disasters

<https://www.wearecentralpa.com/news/huntingdon-officials-prepare-plan-for-disasters/>

Post-Gazette: In hot water: Warm weather is hard on fish, particularly trout

<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2020/07/30/trout-fishing-pennsylvania-water-temperature/stories/202008060004>

Post-Gazette: Fish are more vulnerable to warming water than originally thought

<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2020/07/30/fish-fishing-water-temperature-warming-trout/stories/202008060005>

## **Miscellaneous**

Philadelphia Inquirer: Rape jokes, vindictive culture in 'old boys club' at Horsham's Air National Guard Station

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/pennsylvania/horsham-air-national-guard-station-rape-jokes-retaliation-sexual-harassment-20200729.html>

WITF: Big-money investors gear up for a trillion-dollar bet on farm land

<https://www.witf.org/2020/07/30/big-money-investors-gear-up-for-a-trillion-dollar-bet-on-farm-land/>

Allegheny Front: Plan to 'Reimagine Appalachia' Touts Jobs, Justice and Sustainability for the Ohio Valley

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/plan-to-reimagine-appalachia-touts-jobs-justice-and-sustainability-for-the-ohio-valley/>

Tribune-Review: Cicadas abuzz around Western Pennsylvania as summer progresses

<https://triblive.com/local/regional/cicadas-abuzz-around-western-pennsylvania-as-summer-progresses/>

Tribune-Review: Western Pa. residents among those receiving 'mystery seed' packets

<https://triblive.com/news/pennsylvania/western-pa-residents-among-those-receiving-mystery-seed-packets/>