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## Top DEP Stories

PA Environment Digest: Oil & Gas Methane Pollution Reduction Testimony: Barbara Jarmoska, 77 Year Resident Lycoming County - The Degradation Is 'Shocking And Tragic'  
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## Mentions

Explore Jefferson: Relief on the Wing: State Deploys Aerial Spraying to Fight Black Flies  
<https://www.explorejeffersonpa.com/local/2025/07/10/relief-on-the-wing-state-deploys-aerial-spraying-to-fight-black-flies-166058/>

## Homer City

Tribune-Review: Judge halts demolition of Homer City plant over contract dispute  
<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/judge-halts-demolition-of-homer-city-plant-over-contract-dispute/>

## Upper Makefield Pipeline

Law360: Sunoco Faces Another Suit Over Jet Fuel Pipeline Leak In Pa.  
[https://www.law360.com/environmental/articles/2363200?nl\\_pk=19fef618-4f06-468c-8fe8-55e1dde9e7b1](https://www.law360.com/environmental/articles/2363200?nl_pk=19fef618-4f06-468c-8fe8-55e1dde9e7b1)

## Air

NBC10: Power outage at oil refinery in Marcus Hook likely causes gas odor in Delaware  
<https://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local/monroe-energy-marcus-hook-delaware-county-pennsylvania-gas-odor-power-outage/4230843/>

Delco Times: Monroe Energy flare caused by power issues at plant  
<https://www.delcotimes.com/2025/07/10/monroe-energy-flare-caused-by-power-issues-at-plant/>

Delaware Online: Strong gas odor in northern Delaware caused by Marcus Hook refinery outage  
<https://www.delawareonline.com/story/news/local/2025/07/10/gas-odor-delaware-monroe-energy-marcus-hook-pa-refinery/84536756007/>

The Philadelphia Inquirer: Strong odor caused by equipment failure at Delco refinery, officials say

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/smell-odor-delaware-county-monroe-energy-20250710.html>

CBS3: Smoke plume seen near Marcus Hook refinery as gas leak smell reported across Delco, New Castle County

<https://www.cbsnews.com/philadelphia/news/delaware-smell-gas-leak-sulfur-today/>

Fox29: Power outage at Delaware County oil refinery causes strong odor throughout the area

<https://www.fox29.com/news/power-outage-delaware-county-oil-refinery-causes-strong-odor-throughout-area>

Philly 17: What was that smell? Strange odor in New Castle and Delaware Counties explained

<https://phl17.com/phl17-news/what-was-that-smell-strange-odor-in-new-castle-and-delaware-counties-explained/>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Meadville Tribune: Cochran to expand Greenways Trail as accessibility takes center stage

[https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/cochran-to-expand-greenways-trail-as-accessibility-takes-center-stage/article\\_b315ea2f-c97c-42cd-837b-c9b1fc96656a.html](https://www.meadvilletribune.com/news/cochran-to-expand-greenways-trail-as-accessibility-takes-center-stage/article_b315ea2f-c97c-42cd-837b-c9b1fc96656a.html)

The Daily News: H&BT Trail to open first week of August

[https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/h-bt-trail-to-open-first-week-of-august/article\\_8df10938-2867-4719-8889-ae851143ef94.html](https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/h-bt-trail-to-open-first-week-of-august/article_8df10938-2867-4719-8889-ae851143ef94.html)

Standard Speaker: Gov. Josh Shapiro signs bill to fully allow Sunday hunting

<https://www.standardspeaker.com/2025/07/09/pa-gov-josh-shapiro-signs-bill-ending-sunday-hunting-ban/>

WOLF56: Summer Storms take a toll: Lightning strike shuts down Splash Pad at Lackawanna State Park

<https://fox56.com/news/local/summer-storms-take-a-toll-lightning-strike-shuts-down-splash-pad-at-lackawanna-state-park>

Centre Daily Times: Sunday hunting ban officially lifted in PA

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Shamokin News-Item: PA lifts ban on Sunday hunting; local legislators vote against measure

<https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/pennsylvania-lifts-ban-on-sunday-hunting-local-legislators-vote-against-measure>

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Pittsburgh Business Times: EQT and KeyState remain committed to ARCH2 hydrogen projects

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2025/07/10/eqt-keystate-arch2-hydrogen-hub.html>

Bradford Era: Land, wind and subsidies

<https://www.bradfordera.com/2025/07/10/land-wind-subsidies/>

Fox 56: California's Verne, Inc. to open hydrogen energy plant in Lycoming County, investing \$4.5M  
<https://fox56.com/news/local/californias-verne-inc-to-open-hydrogen-energy-plant-in-lycoming-county-investing-45mi>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: 'Competing aggressively': State, local officials welcome energy company Verne Inc. to Muncy area  
<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2025/07/competing-aggressively-state-local-officials-welcome-energy-company-verne-inc-to-muncy-area/>

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WPSU: Cleanup work at contaminated Jackson Ceramix Superfund site in Clearfield County underway  
<https://radio.wpsu.org/2025-07-10/cleanup-work-contaminated-jackson-ceramix-superfund-site-clearfield-county-underway>

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Lancaster Online: East Petersburg Borough sues companies for public water contamination with 'forever chemicals'  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/east-petersburg-borough-sues-companies-for-public-water-contamination-with-forever-chemicals/article\\_09376644-648d-4096-9d14-0ef948438ccb.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/east-petersburg-borough-sues-companies-for-public-water-contamination-with-forever-chemicals/article_09376644-648d-4096-9d14-0ef948438ccb.html)

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WICU-TV: Erie County Reports Second Mosquito Sample Positive for West  
<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/52916654/erie-county-reports-second-mosquito-sample-positive-for-west-nile-virus>

Penn State News: Structure of tick-borne virus revealed at atomic resolution for the first time  
<https://www.psu.edu/news/research/story/structure-tick-borne-virus-revealed-atomic-resolution-first-time>

## **Waste**

CBS3: Could DC 33 go back on strike in Philadelphia if union doesn't ratify tentative agreement?  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/philadelphia/news/philadelphia-trash-strike-dc33-greg-boulware/>

The Philadelphia Inquirer: Here's what's in DC 33's tentative new contract, according to the union  
<https://www.inquirer.com/politics/philadelphia/dc33-contract-terms-parker-city-20250710.html?variant=2>

NBC10: 'I don't feel like we've gotten enough': Union head warns strike could resume

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6abc: City services gradually resume in Philadelphia after tentative deal reached to end DC 33 strike  
<https://6abc.com/post/city-services-gradually-resume-including-free-library-philadelphia-tentative-deal-reached-end-dc-33-strike/17050961/>

NBC10: Members of District Council 33 set to vote on new contract. Will they approve it?  
<https://www.nbcphiladelphia.com/news/local/afscme-district-council-33-vote-contract-strike/4231615/>

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KDKA: Raccoon Creek State Park closes swimming area due to high E. coli levels  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/raccoon-creek-state-park-swimming-high-ecoli-levels/>

KDKA: What causes flash flooding to happen? An in-depth explainer  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/what-causes-flash-flooding/>

WTAE: Beach at Raccoon Creek State Park closed for swimming until further notice  
<https://www.wtae.com/article/beach-at-raccoon-creek-state-park-closed-for-swimming-until-further-notice/65377738>

Tribune-Review: Safe to splash? State parks, watershed associations monitor rivers for E. coli contamination  
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/safe-to-splash-state-parks-watershed-associations-monitor-rivers-for-e-coli-contamination/>

The Derrick: Franklin projects move ahead on schedule; discovery of contaminated soil will require dip into contingency funds  
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<https://www.republicanherald.com/2025/07/10/blue-marsh-closed-to-swimming-due-to-algae-levels/>

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<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/07/10/developer-looks-to-build-30-plus-data-centers-in-north-pocono/>

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Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Residents critical of Duquesne Light at emergency preparedness town hall, hosted by Abigail Salisbury  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/politics-state/2025/07/10/duquesne-light-pennsylvania-preparedness-town-hall-abigail-salisbury/stories/202507100103>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Pittsburgh business organizations urge EPA to support plastics industry growth  
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2025/07/10/plastics-industry-pennsylvania-epa.html>

WTAE: PEMA to conduct public storm preparedness training session Thursday evening  
<https://www.wtae.com/article/storm-preparedness-western-pennsylvania/65373379>

Tube City Almanac: Demo Contract OK'd on 20 Blighted Structures  
<http://almanac.tubecityonline.com/almanac/?e=3838>

Daily Courier: County HAZMAT team receives handheld gas detector  
[https://www.dailycourier.com/news/county-hazmat-team-receives-handheld-gas-detector/article\\_8162215c-b1f5-49de-8b32-3728018c0f31.html](https://www.dailycourier.com/news/county-hazmat-team-receives-handheld-gas-detector/article_8162215c-b1f5-49de-8b32-3728018c0f31.html)

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[https://cumberlink.com/news/local/government-politics/article\\_e20708fc-f857-405a-a76d-787dfe97e0a5.html](https://cumberlink.com/news/local/government-politics/article_e20708fc-f857-405a-a76d-787dfe97e0a5.html)

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<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2025/07/farmer-prevails-in-land-use-battle-sparked-by-manure-choice-he-never-made.html>

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<https://www.2822news.com/news/what-to-know-about-the-surge-in-data-centers-across-nepa/>

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<https://www.inquirer.com/news/pennsylvania/climate-change-hot-summer-media-pennsylvania-family-farms-20250710.html?variant=2>

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<https://www.mychesco.com/a/communities/chester-county-farm-guide-celebrates-local-agriculture-and-spotlights-over-125-family-owned-farms/>