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## **Top DEP Stories**

Al Dia: Carolina DiGiorgio hired as Chief Counsel of Pennsylvania DEP under Acting Secretary Rich Negrin  
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## **Train Derailment**

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Lancaster Newspapers: Seaweed could be a key to fighting climate change

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