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Top DEP Stories

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Local streams rated ‘high quality waters’

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/05/09/4/local-streams-rated-high-quality-waters>

Mentions

Latrobe Bulletin: LTMA stays firm on Laurel Mountain Borough sewer project, pays \$4,500 DEP civil penalty

https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/ltma-stays-firm-on-laurel-mountain-borough-sewer-project-pays-4-500-dep-civil-penalty/article_f227cd41-ed9e-40b4-b74e-a32809fd2f81.html

Pa Environment Digest Blog: DEP Invites Comments On Water Quality Permit Amendment To Correct Wetlands Impacts For Homer City Generation Data Center Project In Indiana County

<https://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2026/05/dep-invites-comments-on-water-quality.html>

Pa Environment Digest Blog: DEP TO Host June 2 Informal Conference, Hearing On Permit To Add 4,342 Acres To Rosebud Clymer A Coal Mine In Cherryhill Twp., Indiana County

<https://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2026/05/dep-host-june-2-informal-conference.html>

Times- Tribune; Keystone Sanitary Landfill to produce much more leachate than expected

<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/05/08/keystone-sanitary-landfill-to-produce-much-more-leachate-than-expected/>

WOLF: Hundreds of miles of Pa. streams gain “High Quality” protection, including several in NEPA

<https://fox56.com/news/local/hundreds-of-miles-of-pa-streams-gain-high-quality-protection-including-several-in-nepa>

Air

TribLive: Editorial: A clean debate on emissions inspection

<https://triblive.com/opinion/editorial-a-clean-debate-on-emissions-inspection/>

Lehighvalleylive: Cease-and-desist issued over alleged illegal earthmoving at Slate Belt property

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/slate-belt/2026/05/cease-and-desist-issued-over-alleged-illegal-earthmoving-at-slate-belt-property.html>

Conservation and Recreation

WJAC: Special Education students in Cambria County participate in fishing derby
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/special-education-fish-derby-held-in-cambria-co>

Times-Tribune: Effort launched to get Lackawanna River designated as a state 'water trail'
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/05/07/effort-launched-to-get-lackawanna-river-designated-as-a-state-water-trail/>

Data Centers

Standard Speaker: Data center opponent decries Hazelnut sewer deal
<https://www.standardsspeaker.com/2026/05/08/data-center-opponent-decries-hazelnut-sewer-deal/>

Times-Tribune: Leading trade group weighs in on NEPA's data center landscape
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/05/09/leading-trade-group-weighs-in-on-nepas-data-center-landscape/>

WFMZ: Township supervisor takes stand against data center proposal in Northampton County
https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/lehighvalley/northampton-county/township-supervisor-takes-stand-against-data-center-proposal-in-northampton-county/article_4a0e306c-ab48-4f28-99a8-913bab5fcb3a.html

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Montour official: Do not dismiss data centers
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/05/11/1/montour-official-do-not-dismiss-data-centers>

Energy

WESA: Electricity grid maps could speed addition of renewable energy sources in Pa., panel hears
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2026-05-10/pennsylvania-electricity-grid-capacity-renewable-energy-sources>

Allegheny Front: How much could you save by driving an EV?
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/electric-vehicle-savings/>

Bradford Era: Bill supporting power grid longevity passes House
<https://www.bradfordera.com/2026/05/10/bill-supporting-power-grid-longevity-passes-house/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Solar ordinance may be law by July
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/05/09/1/solar-ordinance-may-be-law-july>

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Daily Local: By 4-3 vote, Kennett Square council rejects attempt to reintroduce NVF zoning change
<https://www.dailylocal.com/2026/05/08/by-4-3-vote-kennett-square-council-rejects-attempt-to-reintroduce-nvf-zoning-change/>

Vector Management

Erie Times: Early start to Erie's tick season spurs questions about Lyme disease

<https://www.goerie.com/story/news/healthcare/2026/05/11/tick-lyme-disease-erie-county-health/89993136007/>

Waste

Bucks County Herald: Kingdom Provisions pauses animal waste dumping at nearby Plumstead farm

https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/kingdom-provisions-pauses-animal-waste-dumping-at-nearby-plumstead-farm/article_9444bd40-6fd4-4ba2-bad9-9ad7a35d0846.html

Water

WICU-TV: Erie Water Works Hosts Inaugural Water Festival During Drinking Water Week

https://www.erienewsnow.com/news/local/erie-water-works-hosts-inaugural-water-festival-during-drinking-water-week/article_3af48bc2-bbb7-4718-840f-027bc30a1e27.html

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Water work heads to Bloom's Main, Market

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/news/2026/05/11/3/water-work-heads-blooms-main-market>

WHYY: Philadelphia launches real-time flood monitoring to help Eastwick residents prepare for storms

<https://whyy.org/articles/philadelphia-eastwick-flood-monitoring-system/>

Miscellaneous

Allegheny Front: As Trump proposes further cuts to science spending, this Pittsburgh researcher is moving to China

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/as-trump-proposes-further-cuts-to-science-spending-this-pittsburgh-researcher-is-moving-to-china/>

WOLF: Susquehanna County farm receives federal grant to expand production and sales

<https://fox56.com/news/local/susquehanna-county-farm-receives-federal-grant-to-expand-production-and-sales>

WHYY: Gardener's guide: How to convert your home lawn into a meadow

<https://whyy.org/articles/home-lawn-convert-to-meadow-how/>