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Top DEP Stories

The Center Square: Shapiro launches permit fast track program

https://www.thecentersquare.com/pennsylvania/article_1fb05f32-ac2e-11ef-934d-4bcd81094ba2.html

WVIA: Penn State OKs agreement with DEP to address PFAS around airport

<https://www.wvia.org/news/pennsylvania-news/2024-11-26/penn-state-oks-agreement-with-dep-to-address-pfas-around-airport>

Allegheny Front: Penn State OKs agreement with DEP to address PFAS around airport, pay more than \$500K

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/penn-state-dep-pfas-state-collage-airport/>

NorthcentralPA.com: PA DEP clears backlog of oil and gas permit applications

https://www.northcentralpa.com/business/pa-dept-of-environmental-protection-clears-backlog-of-oil-and-gas-permit-applications/article_685ad7d4-a6f8-11ef-8621-ebe009acad2e.html

Mentions

Bradford Era: Lawsuit over wastewater treatment plant work still underway

https://www.bradfordera.com/news/lawsuit-over-wastewater-treatment-plant-work-still-underway/article_4e329680-ac3e-11ef-899b-039e38c63dd9.html

Pa Environment Digest Blog: DEP Discovers Evidence Of Continuous Conventional Oil Well Wastewater Release At McKean County Well Site During Routine Inspection

<https://paenvironmentdaily.blogspot.com/2024/11/dep-discovers-evidence-of-continuous.html>

WPXI: New study tests levels of chemicals linked to cancer in Pittsburgh-area water

<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/today-6-new-study-tests-levels-chemicals-linked-cancer-pittsburgh-area-water/OYMBPZUBXRANPDYUANHO3KQHE4/>

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Air

Utility Dive: EPA proposes tightening NOx limits for new gas-fired power plants

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/epa-nitrogen-nox-new-gas-fired-power-plants/733878>

Conservation and Recreation

KYW News: Game Commission changed the 1st day of rifle deer season in 2019. Some rural Pa. businesses want it switched back

<https://www.audacy.com/kywnewsradio/news/state/rural-businesses-want-to-switch-first-day-rifle-deer-hunting-season-pa-game-commission>

Gettysburg Times: 25,000 acres preserved in Adams County

https://www.gettysburgtimes.com/news/local/image_e49213a4-ab57-11ef-83a2-4bab432eac55.html

StateCollege.com: Centre County receives nearly \$400k to fund conservation projects

<https://www.statecollege.com/centre-county-gazette/centre-county-receives-nearly-400k-to-fund-conservation-projects/>

Gant News: The Game Commission changed the first day of rifle deer season in 2019; some rural PA businesses want it switched back

https://gantnews.com/2024/11/27/the-game-commission-changed-the-1st-day-of-rifle-deer-season-in-2019-some-rural-pa-businesses-want-to-see-it-switched-back/#google_vignette

Drought

Delco Times: Drought is causing saltwater to creep up the Delaware River

<https://www.delcotimes.com/2024/11/26/drought-is-causing-saltwater-to-creep-up-the-delaware-river/>

Post-Gazette: Drought-like weather helped PennDOT's 2024 construction season in Western Pa.

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/transportation/2024/11/26/penndot-pittsburgh-construction-season-drought/stories/202411260077>

Sunbury Daily Item: State lifts ban on game land campfires

https://www.dailyitem.com/news/local_news/state-lifts-ban-on-game-land-campfires/article_38340e16-ac13-11ef-a5b9-bf0aa6f219d5.html

Energy

The Mercury: West Pottsgrove plans to regulate EV charging stations

<https://www.pottsmmerc.com/2024/11/27/west-pottsgrove-plans-to-regulate-ev-charging-stations/>

The Mercury: Electric rates will be going up for Met-Ed customers

<https://www.pottsmmerc.com/2024/11/27/electric-rates-will-be-going-up-for-met-ed-customers/>

Reading Eagle: Electric rates will be going up for Met-Ed customers

<https://www.readingeagle.com/2024/11/27/electric-rates-will-be-going-up-for-met-ed-customers/>

E&E News: What Trump's tariffs could mean for American energy

<https://www.eenews.net/articles/what-trumps-tariffs-could-mean-for-american-energy/>

Reuters: How Trump's proposed tariffs might affect commodities and energy

<https://www.reuters.com/markets/commodities/how-trumps-proposed-tariffs-might-affect-commodities-energy-2024-11-27/>

Utility Dive: Constellation asks FERC for PJM rules on data centers and other co-located load

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/constellation-ferc-complaint-pjm-co-located-load-data-center>

Environmental Health News: What a Trump administration means for the federal hydrogen energy push

<https://www.ehn.org/trump-administration-hydrogen-hubs-2670007513.html>

Tribune-Review: Letter to the editor: Thankful for Pa.'s energy bounty

<https://triblive.com/opinion/letter-to-the-editor-thankful-for-pa-s-energy-bounty/>

Renovo Record: Solar Farm Hearing Rattles Pine Creek Township Residents

<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/118929>

Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields

Tribune-Review: 8-story tower of former Fort Pitt Brewery set to come down in Jeannette

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/8-story-tower-of-former-fort-pitt-brewery-set-to-come-down-in-jeannette/>

PFAS

KYW News: Penn State will pay more than \$564K after investigation into drinking water contaminated with 'forever chemicals'

<https://www.audacy.com/kywnewsradio/news/local/penn-state-contaminated-drinking-water-pfas-by-airport-benner-township-homes>

Waste

El Sol: WM Completes Upgrades to Automate Recycling Plant in Philadelphia

<https://elsolnewsmedia.com/wm-planta-reciclaje-philadelphia/>

Water

Lancaster Online: Lancaster city buys water pump station from High after 10 years of lease payments

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/lancaster-city-buys-water-pump-station-from-high-after-10-years-of-lease-payments-lancaster/article_fba6bac8-ac37-11ef-86a3-cfae3b195151.html

Pittsburgh Union Progress: Traffic pattern changes on Becks Run Road for water line work

<https://www.unionprogress.com/2024/11/27/traffic-pattern-changes-on-becks-run-road-for-water-line-work/>

KDKA Radio: Deer rescued from reservoir in Highland Park

<https://www.audacy.com/kdkaradio/news/local/deer-rescued-from-reservoir-in-highland-park>

WJAC: Johnstown prepares for decade-long project to replace lead water lines

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/johnstown-prepares-for-decade-long-project-to-replace-lead-water-lines#>

WPXI: Neighbors impacted by water main break in East Hills seeking answers

<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/neighbors-impacted-by-water-main-break-east-hills-seeking-answers/4MKN3IZHE5AM5MZEVDH3FEY5UU/>

KDKA: Deer rescued from Pittsburgh's Highland Park Reservoir

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/pittsburgh-officials-help-rescue-deer-highland-park-reservoir/>

Renovo Record: LH City Council Meeting Highlights: Street Closures, Water System Changes, and Road Repairs

<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/118917>

Gant News: Clearly Ahead Issues Clearfield-Curwensville Whitewater Update

<https://gantnews.com/2024/11/27/clearly-ahead-issues-clearfield-curwensville-whitewater-update/>

Miscellaneous

Times Herald: Developer seeks to transform Norristown industrial structure into 'The Lafayette Residences'

<https://www.timesherald.com/2024/11/26/developer-seeks-to-transform-norristown-industrial-structure-into-the-lafayette-residences/>

PublicSource: PA environmental, free speech advocates worry over 'anti-terror' law

<https://www.publicnewsservice.org/2024-11-26/environmental-justice/pa-environmental-free-speech-advocates-worry-over-anti-terror-law/a93796-1>

Tribune-Review: Charah subsidiary sues demolition contractors over Springdale chimney, boiler house implosions

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/charah-sues-demolition-contractors-over-springdale-chimney-boiler-house-implosions/>