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Top DEP Stories

ABC27: S.P.E.E.D.—ing up the permitting and construction process

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/york/s-p-e-e-d-ing-up-the-permitting-and-construction-process/>

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Mentions

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Upper Makefield Pipeline

NBC10: New law focused on making pipelines safer after jet fuel leak in Pa. community

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WHYY: Upper Makefield jet fuel leak prompts U.S. Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick to propose pipeline safety reforms

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Air

Republican Herald: Shenandoah adopts noise ordinance, considers plans for former Cooper school

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Philly 17: Nations and environmental groups slam proposals at UN climate talks, calling them too weak
<https://phl17.com/news/international/ap-international/ap-brazils-final-text-proposal-at-un-climate-talks-draws-fire-as-weak-after-a-real-fire-at-the-cop30/>

Conservation and Recreation

Tribune-Review: Shaler parks study recommends \$17 million community center in Kiwanis Park
<https://triblive.com/local/shaler-parks-study-recommends-17-million-community-center-in-kiwanis-park/>

Skook News: Patriotic Locomotive #1776 Drew Crowds Across Schuylkill County on Thursday
<https://www.skooknews.com/2025/11/patriotic-locomotive-1776-drew-crowds.html>

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Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Test Track Park adds trees, greenery
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/112125/page/1/story/test-track-park-adds-greenery>

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Mining

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PFAS

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Waste

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