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## Top DEP Stories

DuBois Courier-Express: New interactive soil, water sampling map unveiled after train derailment  
[https://www.thecourierexpress.com/news/state/new-interactive-soil-water-sampling-map-unveiled-after-train-derailment/article\\_a865814c-e3a6-11ed-9134-bffe61353ed5.html](https://www.thecourierexpress.com/news/state/new-interactive-soil-water-sampling-map-unveiled-after-train-derailment/article_a865814c-e3a6-11ed-9134-bffe61353ed5.html)

Towanda Daily Review: DEP unveils new interactive soil and water sampling map regarding Norfolk Southern train derailment  
[https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/dep-unveils-new-interactive-soil-and-water-sampling-map-regarding-norfolk-southern-train-derailment/article\\_49990bc5-d439-5e14-891e-96bb69a63bed.html](https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/dep-unveils-new-interactive-soil-and-water-sampling-map-regarding-norfolk-southern-train-derailment/article_49990bc5-d439-5e14-891e-96bb69a63bed.html)

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<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/environment/2023/04/26/questions-remain-shell-air-monitors-detect-benzene-at-beaver-county-cracker-plant-odors-pollution/70155496007/>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Here's what we know about the Shell plant's temporary outage  
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2023/04/26/shell-plant-temporary-shutdown-work.html>

WVIA: Developer pulls the plug on Clinton County power plant  
<https://www.wvia.org/news/local/2023-04-26/developer-pulls-the-plug-on-clinton-county-power-plant>

Lexology: Old Wells: A New Frontier for Crypto-Mining and Complaints  
<https://www.lexology.com/library/detail.aspx?g=8e06217a-be3d-43a0-9ab0-7e0a57c6ef94>

## East Palestine Derailment

Wall Street Journal: Norfolk Southern Expects Ohio Derailment to Cost \$387 Million  
[https://www.wsj.com/articles/norfolk-southern-nsc-q1-earnings-report-2023-11a688d?mod=Searchresults\\_pos1&page=1](https://www.wsj.com/articles/norfolk-southern-nsc-q1-earnings-report-2023-11a688d?mod=Searchresults_pos1&page=1)

WESA: Incinerated waste from East Palestine raises concerns in Ohio town  
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2023-04-27/east-palestine-incinerated-waste-concerns>

WTAE: Norfolk Southern estimates Ohio derailment will cost \$387M

<https://www.wtae.com/article/norfolk-southern-east-palestine-train-derailment-cost-estimate/43713159>

## **Air**

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WHYY: The 2023 climate voter's guide: Where do Philly mayoral candidates stand on the issues?

<https://whyy.org/articles/philly-mayoral-race-2023-climate-voters-guide/>

WHYY: My Climate Story: Philadelphia students present environmental problems and solutions at WHYY

<https://whyy.org/articles/my-climate-story-philadelphia-students/>

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Huntingdon Daily News: Families invited to explore outdoors

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Tribune-Democrat: 'What attracts people here': State director of outdoor recreation visits Johnstown, touts benefits of industry

[https://www.tribdem.com/news/what-attracts-people-here-state-director-of-outdoor-recreation-visits-johnstown-touts-benefits-of-industry/article\\_aff1a160-e447-11ed-98bf-6f9f114e6c4b.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/what-attracts-people-here-state-director-of-outdoor-recreation-visits-johnstown-touts-benefits-of-industry/article_aff1a160-e447-11ed-98bf-6f9f114e6c4b.html)

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<https://www.inquirer.com/news/hershey-dairy-chocolate-kitkat-farming-lancaster-20230427.html>

Philadelphia Inquirer; Wissahickon Trail Classic run has been revived for June and will benefit the park

<https://www.inquirer.com/news/wissahickon-trail-classic-run-10k-wissahickon-valley-park-philadelphia-20230427.html>

## Energy

Bradford Era: PUC to host meeting of PA Sustainable Energy Board

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<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/editorials/2023/04/27/kimberly-barrow-public-utility-commission-josh-shapiro/stories/202304230127>

## Mining

Republican Herald: Motion by Schuylkill County commissioner to rescind Tremont Twp. land sale dies

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[https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-u-s-wants-a-rare-earths-supply-chain-heres-why-it-wont-come-easily-dfc3b632?mod=hp\\_minor\\_pos16](https://www.wsj.com/articles/the-u-s-wants-a-rare-earths-supply-chain-heres-why-it-wont-come-easily-dfc3b632?mod=hp_minor_pos16)

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Pittsburgh Business Times: Equitrans shareholders approve board, executive compensation

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## Waste

Tribune-Review: Sharpsburg residents volunteer for Earth Day cleanup

<https://triblive.com/local/fox-chapel/sharpsburg-residents-volunteer-for-earth-day-cleanup/>

WTAJ: What a waste! Pennsylvania creates more trash per capita than 47 other states  
<https://www.wtaj.com/earth-month/what-a-waste-pennsylvania-creates-more-trash-per-capita-than-47-other-states/>

## **Water**

Altoona Mirror: ISC sets goals for outsourced project  
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2023/04/isc-sets-goals-for-outsourced-project/>

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<https://www.abc27.com/news/top-stories/game-commission-to-conduct-controlled-burn-in-dauphin-county/>

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[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/testimony-at-maidencreek-warehouse-hearing-focuses-on-environmental-health-safety-regulations/article\\_5b818772-e49b-11ed-87ca-a32a34ea2c5a.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/testimony-at-maidencreek-warehouse-hearing-focuses-on-environmental-health-safety-regulations/article_5b818772-e49b-11ed-87ca-a32a34ea2c5a.html)

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<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/more-than-100-older-homes-could-benefit-from-westmoreland-county-lead-removal-program/>

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<https://www.inquirer.com/politics/philadelphia/philly-council-hearings-chester-trash-incinerator-20230427.html>

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<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2023/04/pollution-lawsuit-could-curb-use-of-aerial-fire-retardant/>