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## Top DEP Stories

WVIA: Follow their example': PennEnvironment lauds Crayola's Forks Township solar field  
<https://www.lehighvalleynews.com/environment-science/follow-their-example-pennenvironment-lauds-crayolas-forks-township-solar-field>

Marcellus Drilling News: PA DEP claims slow permit backlog reduced 88% from 2,400 to 300  
<https://marcellusdrilling.com/2025/04/pa-dep-claims-slow-permit-backlog-reduced-88-from-2400-to-300/>

## Mentions

Tribune-Review: Native planting will help the wild to reclaim Murrys ville acid mine remediation site  
<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/native-planting-will-help-the-wild-to-reclaim-murrysville-acid-mine-remediation-site/>

Centre Daily Times: What happens inside the pump house at Bellefonte's Big Spring? Here's a look  
[https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/bellefonte/article303174661.html#campaignName=statecollege\\_morning\\_newsletter](https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/bellefonte/article303174661.html#campaignName=statecollege_morning_newsletter)

WHYY: Trump's new energy order puts states' climate laws in the crosshairs of the Department of Justice  
<https://whyy.org/articles/trump-energy-executive-order-state-climate-laws/>

Bucks County Herald: Permitting plagues Tinicum's restoration of Headquarters Road bridge  
[https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/permitting-plagues-tinicums-restoration-of-headquarters-road-bridge/article\\_bae9c623-ac3e-40d5-8efd-fe9178caf844.html](https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/permitting-plagues-tinicums-restoration-of-headquarters-road-bridge/article_bae9c623-ac3e-40d5-8efd-fe9178caf844.html)

## Upper Makefield Pipeline

CBS3: Residents at virtual town hall raise concerns after Pennsylvania Sunoco pipeline leak contaminated water  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/philadelphia/news/sunoco-pipeline-petroleum-leak-upper-makefield/>

## Climate Change

Penn Environment: New study finds carbon capture ineffective and costly compared to investing in renewable energy

<https://environmentamerica.org/pennsylvania/updates/new-study-finds-carbon-capture-ineffective-and-costly-compared-to-investing-in-renewable-energy/>

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: After 'the worst trout opener in 50 years,' the fish forecast is bright  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/outdoors/2025/04/10/trout-opener-pittsburgh-2025-weather-mentored-youth-fishing-pa/stories/202504100025>

KDKA: Rainy conditions lead to one of the worst starts to trout season in Pennsylvania in decades  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/trout-season-slow-start-due-to-rain-pennsylvania/>

WJAC: Clearfield residents divided over proposed whitewater park project  
<https://wjactv.com/news/local/clearfield-residents-divided-over-proposed-whitewater-park-project#>

NextGenNewsroom: Logging poised to accelerate in Allegheny National Forest under emergency declaration  
<https://www.nextgenerationnewsroom.org/news/logging-poised-to-accelerate-in-allegheny-national-forest-under-emergency-declaration>

York Dispatch: Trucks crisscross Pa. as volunteers work to stock streams with trout  
<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/2025/04/10/trucks-crisscross-pa-as-volunteers-work-to-stock-streams-with-trout/83033091007/>

WTAJ: 120-acre farm to be protected from future development in Cambria County  
<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/120-acre-farm-to-be-protected-from-future-development-in-cambria-county/>

WVIA: Reservations are up at Pa. campgrounds, state promotes increase in the face of federal cuts  
<https://www.wvia.org/news/local/2025-04-09/reservations-are-up-at-pa-campgrounds-state-promotes-increase-in-the-face-of-federal-cuts>

Bay Journal: Spring has sprung! Cue the vernal pools and the amphibians  
[https://www.bayjournal.com/columns/bay\\_naturalist/spring-has-sprung-cue-the-vernal-pools-and-amphibians/article\\_0826c92e-06ab-414c-9271-fef28555ba30.html](https://www.bayjournal.com/columns/bay_naturalist/spring-has-sprung-cue-the-vernal-pools-and-amphibians/article_0826c92e-06ab-414c-9271-fef28555ba30.html)

Times Herald: Sojourn celebrates 200th anniversary of Schuylkill Navigation System  
<https://www.timesherald.com/2025/04/11/calling-all-paddlers-sojourn-celebrates-200th-anniversary-of-schuylkill-navigation-system/>

## **Energy**

Bradford Era: Trump's new energy order puts states' climate laws in the crosshairs of the Department of Justice  
[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/trumps-new-energy-order-puts-states-climate-laws-in-the-crosshairs-of-the-department-of/article\\_4d984b5b-4c2e-4ddc-939c-dd9f533020f8.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/trumps-new-energy-order-puts-states-climate-laws-in-the-crosshairs-of-the-department-of/article_4d984b5b-4c2e-4ddc-939c-dd9f533020f8.html)

Lancaster Farming: Exploring Solar Options in Pennsylvania that Keep Farmland Safe

[https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/ag-business/exploring-solar-options-in-pennsylvania-that-keep-farmland-safe/article\\_cf12c72a-4b8c-4f56-86fb-dc324ac4cdf7.html](https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/ag-business/exploring-solar-options-in-pennsylvania-that-keep-farmland-safe/article_cf12c72a-4b8c-4f56-86fb-dc324ac4cdf7.html)

Huntingdon Daily News: Township approves solar farm ordinance

[https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/township-approves-solar-farm-ordinance/article\\_028e0c19-b5ba-4cb4-83d4-5f593de709a2.html](https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/township-approves-solar-farm-ordinance/article_028e0c19-b5ba-4cb4-83d4-5f593de709a2.html)

WGAL: Met-Ed completes line work In York County

<https://www.wgal.com/article/met-ed-completes-line-work-york-county-power-electricity/64447775>

WFMZ: Reading church sees tangible results after 'going solar'

[https://www.wfmz.com/homepage\\_top\\_stories/reading-church-sees-tangible-results-after-going-solar/article\\_a27a85d4-f18a-4fa2-8752-44da42602c00.html](https://www.wfmz.com/homepage_top_stories/reading-church-sees-tangible-results-after-going-solar/article_a27a85d4-f18a-4fa2-8752-44da42602c00.html)

WFMZ: Reading church hopes to inspire others to switch to clean energy efforts

[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/reading-area/reading-church-hopes-to-inspire-others-to-switch-to-clean-energy-efforts/article\\_245b874d-edfc-464f-828b-209fe71290c6.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/reading-area/reading-church-hopes-to-inspire-others-to-switch-to-clean-energy-efforts/article_245b874d-edfc-464f-828b-209fe71290c6.html)

## **PFAS**

WHYY: Philly may lose federal dollars to protect drinking water, shifting the costs to ratepayers

<https://whyy.org/articles/philadelphia-fema-drinking-water-trump-administration/>

## **Waste**

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette: Editorial: There's too much trash in Pittsburgh. Time to redd it up

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/editorials/2025/04/11/charland-gainey-trash-public-works-pittsburgh-quality-life/stories/202504110013>

Daily Courier: Connellsville Municipal Authority OKs sludge removal contract

[https://www.dailycourier.com/news/connellsville-municipal-authority-oks-sludge-removal-contract/article\\_b29069e0-37b6-4b0d-a606-acc5b2511291.html](https://www.dailycourier.com/news/connellsville-municipal-authority-oks-sludge-removal-contract/article_b29069e0-37b6-4b0d-a606-acc5b2511291.html)

## **Water**

Bradford Era: High-tech robot helping to protect drinking water

[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/high-tech-robot-helping-to-protect-drinking-water/article\\_0c584409-9e4e-4aaa-b65d-46eca4395c35.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/high-tech-robot-helping-to-protect-drinking-water/article_0c584409-9e4e-4aaa-b65d-46eca4395c35.html)

The Derrick: Franklin panel hears Front Street waterline project moving quickly

[https://www.thederrick.com/news/front\\_page/franklin-panel-hears-front-street-waterline-project-moving-quickly/article\\_fcc3fbc9-9847-49e1-ac46-dd65f0e7b87e.html](https://www.thederrick.com/news/front_page/franklin-panel-hears-front-street-waterline-project-moving-quickly/article_fcc3fbc9-9847-49e1-ac46-dd65f0e7b87e.html)

WVIA: FEMA cuts threaten flood buyouts in Scranton, levee projects in Luzerne County

<https://www.wvia.org/news/local/2025-04-09/fema-cuts-threaten-flood-buyouts-in-scranton-levee-projects-in-luzerne-county>

Gant News: Second town hall held on proposed Clearfield whitewater park

<https://gantnews.com/2025/04/10/second-town-hall-held-on-proposed-clearfield-whitewater-park/>

## **Miscellaneous**

Tribune-Review: New Kensington hole declared a public nuisance, city seeking repair bids

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/new-kensington-hole-declared-a-public-nuisance-city-seeking-repair-bids/>

Tribune-Review: Yes, Western Pa. pays more for gas. You might be surprised how much more

<https://triblive.com/local/regional/gas-prices-jump-but-dont-expect-them-to-stay-there-expert-says/>

ABC 27: Trump orders agencies to sunset environmental protections

<https://www.abc27.com/national/trump-orders-agencies-to-sunset-environmental-protections-2/>

Centre Daily Times: After years of waiting, PennDOT to soon recommend final route for State College Area Connector

[https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/article304000061.html#campaignName=statecollege\\_breaking\\_newsletter](https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/article304000061.html#campaignName=statecollege_breaking_newsletter)