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## Top DEP Stories

Post-Gazette: Pa. DEP pushes greenhouse gas pact

<https://www.post-gazette.com/local/2020/08/06/PA-DEP-greenhouse-gas-limits-Gov-Tom-Wolf-emissions-carbon-dioxide-state-climate/stories/202008060163>

Tribune-Review: Thomas Melcher and Jeff Nobers: Joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative would hurt Pa.

<https://triblive.com/opinion/thomas-melcher-and-jeff-nobers-joining-the-regional-greenhouse-gas-initiative-would-hurt-pa/>

WESA: PA Produces A Lot Of Greenhouse Gases, But Its Republican-Led Legislature Isn't Acting

<https://www.wesa.fm/post/pa-produces-lot-greenhouse-gases-its-republican-led-legislature-isn-t-acting#stream/0>

## Mentions

Times Leader: New look at W-B Area construction shows major progress

<https://www.google.com/amp/s/www.timesleader.com/news/795527/new-look-at-w-b-area-construction-shows-major-progress/amp>

Post-Gazette: Michael Krancer: A threat to Pa.'s energy independence

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/Op-Ed/2020/08/07/Michael-Krancer-A-threat-to-Pennsylvania-energy-independence-Natural-Gas-Grand-Jury-report-stewardship-environment/stories/202008070033>

## Air

Huntingdon Daily News: Smithfield Twp. leaders hear burning complaint

[https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/smithfield-twp-leaders-hear-burning-complaint/article\\_2ed39af4-da9b-56c3-aef3-051e5f7dbc63.html](https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/smithfield-twp-leaders-hear-burning-complaint/article_2ed39af4-da9b-56c3-aef3-051e5f7dbc63.html)

## Climate Change

State Impact: Pa. produces a lot of greenhouse gases, but its Republican-led legislature isn't acting on climate change — even as scientists say the clock is ticking

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2020/08/06/pennsylvania-climate-change-greenhouse-gases-republican-legislature/>

State Impact: How Tropical Storm Isaias is connected to climate change

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2020/08/06/how-tropical-storm-isaias-is-connected-to-climate-change/>

Tribune-Review: Thomas Melcher and Jeff Nobers: Joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative would hurt Pa.

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## Conservation & Recreation

Chester County Daily Local: Feasibility study for Brandywine Creek Water Trail released  
[https://www.dailylocal.com/news/local/feasibility-study-for-brandywine-creek-water-trail-released/article\\_2fbaac0e-d74c-11ea-a220-7b20d80ef2d9.html](https://www.dailylocal.com/news/local/feasibility-study-for-brandywine-creek-water-trail-released/article_2fbaac0e-d74c-11ea-a220-7b20d80ef2d9.html)

PublicSource: Pittsburgh controller says the city must collect the parks tax but needs to add more internal controls before it does  
<https://www.publicsource.org/pittsburgh-controller-audit-parks-tax-parks-conservancy-internal-controls/>

Post-Gazette: Garden of the Five Senses opens at Pittsburgh Botanic Garden  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/life/garden/2020/08/07/Pittsburgh-Botanic-Garden-Five-Senses-Garden/stories/202008030081>

Beaver County Times: Outdoors: Fishing holes where the fish are biting  
<https://www.timesonline.com/sports/20200807/outdoors-fishing-holes-where-fish-are-biting>

Beaver County Times: Brian Whipkey: The year to be outdoors  
<https://www.timesonline.com/lifestyle/20200807/brian-whipkey-year-to-be-outdoors>

Tribune-Review: Audit of Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy 'a little bit concerning,' Controller Michael Lamb says  
<https://triblive.com/local/pittsburgh-allegheny/audit-of-pittsburgh-parks-conservancy-a-little-bit-concerning-controller-michael-lamb-says/>

Pittsburgh City Paper: Pittsburgh bike ridership sees slight increase during the COVID pandemic  
<https://www.pghcitypaper.com/pittsburgh/pittsburgh-bike-ridership-sees-slight-increase-during-the-covid-pandemic/Content?oid=17771905>

Milton Standard-Journal: New Chronic Wasting Disease response plan approved by Pa. Board of Game Commissioners  
[http://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article\\_8a340ff1-09dc-5381-a663-2f86f619421e.html](http://www.standard-journal.com/news/local/article_8a340ff1-09dc-5381-a663-2f86f619421e.html)

WJET: Destination PA: Pymatuning State Park  
<https://www.yourerie.com/community/destination-pa/destination-pa-pymatuning-state-park/>

Bradford Era: Local Ride for Roswell is Saturday on Allegheny River Trail  
[http://www.bradfordera.com/news/local/local-ride-for-roswell-is-saturday-on-allegheny-river-trail/article\\_03b0850c-92a8-5ec2-8afb-80c466412851.html](http://www.bradfordera.com/news/local/local-ride-for-roswell-is-saturday-on-allegheny-river-trail/article_03b0850c-92a8-5ec2-8afb-80c466412851.html)

Bradford Era: Bat conservation plan drafted for State Lands  
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WICU: Sen. Laughlin Announces Efforts to 'Light Up' Presque Isle this Holiday Season

<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/42467577/sen-laughlin-announces-efforts-to-light-up-presque-isle-this-holiday-season>

## **Drought**

WJET: Latest Drought Monitor: Abnormally dry over parts of NWPA

<https://www.yourerie.com/wx/weather-headlines/latest-drought-monitor-abnormally-dry-over-parts-of-nwpa/>

## **Energy**

Post-Gazette: Labor support

<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/letters/2020/08/07/Labor-support/stories/202008070062>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Remove tax credits for solar, wind (Op-Ed)

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/080220/page/9/story/remove-tax-credits-for-solar-wind>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Wind, solar tax credits should stay (LTE)

<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/080720/page/6/story/wind-solar-tax-credits-should-stay>

## **Oil and Gas**

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Helicopter helps fight erosion; aircraft used in pipeline project

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## **Vector Management**

Pottstown Mercury: Mosquito season in Berks about to get more uncomfortable

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Pennlive: Spotted lanternfly reports up nearly 500% in Pa. this year

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Post-Gazette: Allegheny County's tick collector warns of Lyme disease risks

<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2020/08/07/ticks-Lyme-disease-risks-Allegheny-County-blacklegged-tick/stories/202008040138>

KDKA Radio: Pittsburgh Mosquito Samples Test Positive For West Nile, Health Dept.To Spray Mosquitoes

<https://kdkaradio.radio.com/articles/mosquitoes-in-pittsburgh-area-test-positive-for-west-nile>

## **Waste**

Delaware County Daily Times: Upper Darby suspends regular trash service until Aug. 21

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Reading Eagle: Reading resident hopes to overturn city's universal trash hauler ordinance  
[https://www.readingeagle.com/coronavirus/reading-resident-hopes-to-overturn-citys-universal-trash-hauler-ordinance/article\\_83f1030a-d82c-11ea-9a3f-7f4341296928.html](https://www.readingeagle.com/coronavirus/reading-resident-hopes-to-overturn-citys-universal-trash-hauler-ordinance/article_83f1030a-d82c-11ea-9a3f-7f4341296928.html)

## **Water**

Times News: Chestnuthill Twp. to drill new water well  
<https://www.tnonline.com/20200806/chestnuthill-twp-to-drill-new-water-well/>

Reading Eagle: Tropical Storm Isaias drenches homes along Maiden Creek: 'We just became part of the creek'  
[https://www.readingeagle.com/news/local/tropical-storm-isaias-drenches-homes-along-maiden-creek-we-just-became-part-of-the-creek/article\\_05ee9e72-d75f-11ea-87ee-2307f4a019b8.html](https://www.readingeagle.com/news/local/tropical-storm-isaias-drenches-homes-along-maiden-creek-we-just-became-part-of-the-creek/article_05ee9e72-d75f-11ea-87ee-2307f4a019b8.html)

WFMZ: Kutztown residents describe flooding as cleanup continues  
[https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/kutztown-residents-describe-flooding-as-cleanup-continues/article\\_93311f0e-d795-11ea-9411-dbd6d7e32bbc.html](https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/berks/kutztown-residents-describe-flooding-as-cleanup-continues/article_93311f0e-d795-11ea-9411-dbd6d7e32bbc.html)

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<https://www.post-gazette.com/pets/pet-tales/2020/08/07/Pet-Tales-Orphans-of-the-Storm-new-shelter-Armstrong/stories/202008070015>

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<https://triblive.com/local/pittsburgh-allegheny/water-line-break-on-penn-ave-in-downtown-repaired-street-remains-closed/>

Tribune-Review: Contrary to appearances, barge not really stuck on Allegheny River dam in Natrona  
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/contrary-to-appearances-barge-not-really-stuck-on-allegheny-river-dam-in-natrona/>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Evoqua investors selling 8M shares in secondary offering  
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2020/08/06/evoqua-investors-selling-8m-shares.html>

Latrobe Bulletin: LTMA preparing for Waterford water line replacement  
[https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/local/ltma-preparing-for-waterford-water-line-replacement/article\\_8d5c82e0-a1d0-5cc3-9999-bf735dc645d9.html](https://www.latrobebulletinnews.com/news/local/ltma-preparing-for-waterford-water-line-replacement/article_8d5c82e0-a1d0-5cc3-9999-bf735dc645d9.html)

WPXI: Water main break has part of street closed in downtown Pittsburgh  
<https://www.wpxi.com/news/top-stories/water-main-break-has-part-street-closed-downtown-pittsburgh/J2I3YRJAONDSZGRDL6FKJBQAH4/>

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<https://www.rocket-courier.com/articles/penn-state-extension-offers-testing-education-for-earthen-pond-owners/>

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[http://www.bradfordera.com/news/local/blue-green-algae-bloom-closes-red-house-lake-to-swimming-in-state-park/article\\_f51898b2-de5c-5429-b263-eecf7f77be22.html](http://www.bradfordera.com/news/local/blue-green-algae-bloom-closes-red-house-lake-to-swimming-in-state-park/article_f51898b2-de5c-5429-b263-eecf7f77be22.html)

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<https://lebtown.com/2020/08/07/cornwall-manor-in-mourning-for-massive-chestnut-tree-felled-by-recent-weather/>

WITF: Some faculty's environmental science research on hold, while others find work around, in face of COVID-19

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Butler Eagle: 'Enhanced Green' level tweaks Butler Area plan

<http://www.butlereagle.com/article/20200807/NEWS01/708079923>