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Top DEP Stories

WITF/StateImpact PA: Pennsylvania could get \$100M in federal money to plug leaky, old gas wells
<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2022/02/01/pennsylvania-could-get-100m-in-federal-money-to-plug-leaky-old-gas-wells/>

Mentions

WESA: Pennsylvania could get \$100M in federal money to plug leaky, old gas wells
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Climate Change

Pennlive: Climate change is driving more sharks to waters off Pennsylvanian's favorite beaches
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<https://www.inquirer.com/business/exelon-peco-constellation-spinoff-nuclear-zero-carbon-energy-20220202.html>

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<https://www.post-gazette.com/business/powersource/2022/02/02/pjm-interconnection-queue-energy-projects-electricity-grid-operator-backlog-approval-process/stories/202202020087>

Oil and Gas

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<https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/2022/02/01/citing-100-violations-and-dozens-of-criminal-charges-against-sunoco-environmental-groups-call-on-state-dep-to-deny-mariner-east-2-permits/>

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Pittsburgh Business Times: Why PennEnergy's all in on responsibly sourced natural gas certification
<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2022/02/01/pennenergy-all-in-on-rsg.html>

WESA: Study finds elderly near fracking sites at higher risk of dying prematurely
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2022-02-01/study-finds-elderly-near-fracking-sites-at-higher-risk-of-dying-prematurely>

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<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/tarentum-crews-working-to-repair-2-waterline-breaks/>

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Philadelphia Inquirer: A Pennsylvania bridge just collapsed. Which one is next? | Opinion
<https://www.inquirer.com/opinion/commentary/pittsburgh-bridge-collapse-biden-infrastructure-plan-pennsylvania-20220201.html>

Lancaster Newspapers: How to watch Middle Creek snow geese from home and stay updated on their migration
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<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2022/02/fire-destroys-barns-kills-90-cattle/>

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Post-Gazette: PennDOT orders review of five other bridges with similar design as collapsed Fern Hollow Bridge
<https://www.post-gazette.com/news/transportation/2022/02/01/PennDOT-structural-review-Fern-Hollow-similar-bridges-Squirrel-Hill/stories/202202010081>

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<https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2022/02/02/gov-wolf-talks-fern-hollow-bridge-collapse/>

KDKA: State Diverted \$4.2B In Gas Tax Meant To Repair Bridges And Roads
<https://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2022/02/01/pennsylvania-diverted-funding-bridges-and-roads/>

Tribune-Review: \$25.3M in federal funding set aside to replace Pittsburgh's collapsed Fern Hollow Bridge
<https://triblive.com/local/25-3m-in-federal-funding-set-aside-to-replace-pittsburghs-collapsed-fern-hollow-bridge/>

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Tribune-Review: Western Pa. under storm watch for snow, ice beginning early Thursday
<https://triblive.com/local/regional/pittsburgh-area-under-storm-watch-for-snow-ice-beginning-early-thursday/>

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