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Top DEP Stories

New Castle News: 1 in 3 miles of PA streams, rivers 'impaired'

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<https://www.psu.edu/news/earth-and-mineral-sciences/story/earthtalks-erica-smithwick-discuss-changing-climate-narrative/>

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<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2022/01/20/cheswick-power-station-new-owner-gen-on.html>

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