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## Top DEP Stories

Butler Eagle: DEP allows landfill permit to stand

<https://www.butlereagle.com/20240110/dep-allows-landfill-permit-to-stand/#:~:text=Molly%20Miller,The%20state%20Department%20of%20Environmental%20Protection%20denied%20a%20motion%20to,filed%20Monday%2C%20Jan.%208.>

Sunbury Daily Item: Snyder County receives DEP grant for waterway protection

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/local\\_news/snyder-county-receives-dep-grant-for-waterway-protection/article\\_c09e0a9a-af1b-11ee-80a0-e7c69c58b5c0.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/local_news/snyder-county-receives-dep-grant-for-waterway-protection/article_c09e0a9a-af1b-11ee-80a0-e7c69c58b5c0.html)

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Bradford Era: Partisan split on energy, environment makes compromise unlikely

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Citizens' Voice: Residents grill Wyoming Brough officials for eliminating recycling

[https://www.citizensvoice.com/news/residents-grill-wyoming-borough-officials-for-eliminating-recycling-program/article\\_ed44dc59-76aa-555b-b7df-e244ecd1ab99.html](https://www.citizensvoice.com/news/residents-grill-wyoming-borough-officials-for-eliminating-recycling-program/article_ed44dc59-76aa-555b-b7df-e244ecd1ab99.html)

Tribune-Review: Charah files notice to appeal injunction decision regarding boiler house in Springdale

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<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/104235>

Shamokin News-Item: 2023 Year In Review: January news of note

[https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/year-in-review-january-news-of-note/article\\_8e7afb8f-5a30-5d14-a4d6-d695c75994e1.html](https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/year-in-review-january-news-of-note/article_8e7afb8f-5a30-5d14-a4d6-d695c75994e1.html)

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Partisan split on energy, environment makes compromise unlikely

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2024/01/partisan-split-on-energy-environment-makes-compromise-unlikely/>

## Plum Home Explosion

Tribune-Review: Plum honors Rustic Ridge resident for heroism, elevates interim manager

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/plum-honors-president-of-rustic-ridge-homeowners-group-elevates-interim-manager/>

## Climate Change

Bloomberg: US Greenhouse Gas Emissions Fell in 2023 After Rising for Two Years

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AP: Earth shattered global heat record in '23 and it's flirting with warming limit, European agency says

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PublicSource: Pittsburgh is a poster child for climate-conscious planning

<https://www.publicsource.org/pittsburgh-climate-conscious-planning-flooding-stormwater-management-development/>

Sayre Morning-Times: Carbon pollution is down in the US, but not fast enough to meet Biden's 2030 goal, new report says

[https://www.morning-times.com/business/article\\_4b542940-f79b-5e60-9f1c-bd690a6063a5.html](https://www.morning-times.com/business/article_4b542940-f79b-5e60-9f1c-bd690a6063a5.html)

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Bradford Era: Lumber Heritage Region accepting mini-grant applications

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WTAJ: New conservation center could be coming to State College

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/new-conservation-center-could-be-coming-to-state-college>

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<https://www.dailyamerican.com/story/sports/outdoors/2024/01/10/birding-pa-third-bird-atlas-citizen-science-ebird/72165317007/>

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<https://www.delcotimes.com/2024/01/09/darby-declares-state-of-emergency-as-heaviest-rain-rolls-in/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: Road closures, power outages across Philly area after intense storm sweeps through the region

<https://www.inquirer.com/weather/live/philadelphia-flooding-power-outages-weather-forecast-storm-20240110.html>

Observer-Reporter: New hydrogen hubs will transform Pennsylvania

<https://www.observer-reporter.com/opinion/op-eds/2024/jan/10/new-hydrogen-hubs-will-transform-pennsylvania/>

Capital and Main: Why Pittsburgh Has 'the Most Extreme Embrace' of Fossil Fuel Lobbyists, Per Report

<https://capitalandmain.com/why-pittsburgh-has-the-most-extreme-embrace-of-fossil-fuel-lobbyists-per-report>

Utility Dive: PJM triples annual load growth forecast to 2.4% driven by data centers, electrification  
<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/pjm-interconnection-load-forecast-data-center-ev-dominion-firstenergy/704040/>

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<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/gas-power-plants-reliability-winter-union-concerned-scientists/704031/>

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Renovo Record: Hydrogen tax rules draw fire from industry  
<https://therecord-online.com/site/archives/104246>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Don't forgo coal (Opinion)  
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/010924/page/15/story/dont-forgo-coal>

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<https://www.reuters.com/markets/commodities/us-oil-gas-production-growth-starts-decelerate-kemp-2024-01-10/>

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<https://whyy.org/articles/epa-stricter-pfas-regulations/>

## **Waste**

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<https://www.unionprogress.com/2024/01/10/consider-some-green-resolutions-and-help-the-environment/>

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## **Water**

Butler Eagle: Butler Area Sewer Authority holding regular operations

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Philly Burbs: Storm brings heavy rain, winds and Neshaminy flooding: Live coverage

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Philadelphia Inquirer: What to do after a flood in the Philly area

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<https://www.pennlive.com/weather/2024/01/rain-overflows-creek-near-farm-show-prompts-multiple-lane-closures.html>

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<https://lebtown.com/2024/01/10/cornwall-borough-council-hears-updates-on-water-supply-community-concerns/>

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<https://www.wgal.com/article/conodoguinet-creek-floods-cumberland-county/46338303>

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NPR: Researchers find a massive number of plastic particles in bottled water

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<https://www.readingeagle.com/2024/01/10/warehouse-plans-hit-snags-in-northeastern-berks/>

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<https://lebtown.com/2024/01/10/north-annvilles-latest-bluescope-delay-recycling-access-solar-appeal/>

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<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2024/01/survey-will-gather-hazard-info/>

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