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## Top DEP Stories

Beaver County Times: Community panel to make plan for Shell's \$5 million air quality settlement fund  
<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/2023/07/10/community-panel-to-make-plan-for-shells-5-million-air-quality-settlement-fund/70398157007/>

## Mentions

Morning Call: Want to restrict warehouses in your township? Environmental group has a model ordinance  
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Shamokin News-Item: Ralpho Township, Kulpmont receive grants for recycling programs  
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## Climate Change

WESA: Pa. forest owners look to carbon market to help manage their trees  
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2023-07-11/pennsylvania-forest-owners-carbon-markets-climate-change>

Philadelphia Inquirer: Canada sees its farthest-north 100-degree temperature as wildfires rage  
<https://www.inquirer.com/science/climate/canada-arctic-circle-record-heat-climate-change-20230710.html>

Penn State News: Doom-and-gloom climate news may scare but also encourage audiences  
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## Conservation and Recreation

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[https://www.tribdem.com/news/csa-to-hold-annual-geese-blind-drawing/article\\_b16776a4-1f49-11ee-ab2c-37e41cd74f65.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/csa-to-hold-annual-geese-blind-drawing/article_b16776a4-1f49-11ee-ab2c-37e41cd74f65.html)

abc27: Hanover Trolley Trail to get million dollar expansion

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/hanover-trolley-trail-to-get-million-dollar-expansion/>

Daily Local: Chester County Agricultural Land Preservation Board announces funding opportunities

<https://www.dailylocal.com/2023/07/10/chester-county-agricultural-land-preservation-board-announces-funding-opportunities/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: Why did Dad Vail chose the Cooper River again for 2024? The regatta's top organizer explains.

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WHYY: New LINK trail will connect more than a dozen communities in South Jersey

<https://whyy.org/articles/nj-south-jersey-new-link-trail-camden-waterfront-pinelands-national-reserve/>

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Times Observer: Western Pennsylvania Conservancy honored for work

<https://www.timesobserver.com/news/local-news/2023/07/western-pennsylvania-conservancy-honored-for-work/>

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## **Drought**

Lancaster Newspapers: Lancaster records above-average monthly rainfall after weekend storms; drought conditions persist

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Lancaster Newspapers: The 30 wettest days in modern Lancaster County history

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Lebanon Daily News: DEP officials maintain the statewide drought watch despite increased rainfall

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## **Energy**

City and State PA: Opinion: Hydrogen energy sounds too good to be true – because it is

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FOX43: Lower Allen Township makes the switch to solar energy

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WTAJ: Arize Federal Credit Union to add solar-powered location in Centre County

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## **Vector Management**

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Lancaster Newspapers: Fulton Twp. won't oppose installation of dry standpipe on Swift Road bridge for firefighters

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<https://www.wgal.com/article/pennsylvania-berks-county-flood-damage/44502825>

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WFMZ: WATCH: Building swept away by flood waters in Lower Alsace Twp.  
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