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## Top DEP Stories

Post-Gazette: Westmoreland County landfill seeks to evaporate contaminated runoff  
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## Mentions

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<https://www.goerie.com/opinion/20200524/our-view-erie-coke-leaves-mess-for-public>

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WICU-TV: No Swimming Allowed, People still Visit Presque Isle  
<https://www.erienewsnow.com/story/42167337/no-swimming-allowed-people-still-visit-presque-isle>

Clarion News: Elk board OKs foot bridge  
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