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## **Top DEP Stories**

E&E News: Criminal charges, FBI probe roil \$3B Pa. pipeline

<https://www.eenews.net/stories/1063716477>

Tribune-Review: Along Mariner East pipelines, secrecy and a patchwork of emergency plans leave many at risk and in the dark

<https://triblive.com/local/westmoreland/along-mariner-east-pipelines-secrecy-and-a-patchwork-of-emergency-plans-leave-many-at-risk-and-in-the-dark/>

## **Mentions**

Levittown Now: EXCLUSIVE: Officials Investigate Another Environmental Issue At Scrap Facility

<http://levittownnow.com/2020/10/16/exclusive-officials-investigate-another-environmental-issue-at-scrap-facility/>

Lehigh Valley Live: Needed: A plan to keep the Bushkill Creek flowing | Editorial

<https://www.lehighvalleylive.com/opinion/2020/10/needed-a-plan-to-keep-the-bushkill-creek-flowing-editorial.html>

State Impact: Report: Radiation levels higher downwind of fracking sites

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2020/10/16/report-radiation-levels-higher-downwind-of-fracking-sites/>

## **Air**

Shamokin News-Item: The pandemic has lead to a quieter world; study finds 50% drop in environmental noise exposure

[https://www.newsitem.com/news/the-big-number-the-pandemic-has-lead-to-a-quieter-world/article\\_d420d175-903e-599f-bb1c-f807b7fadcac.html](https://www.newsitem.com/news/the-big-number-the-pandemic-has-lead-to-a-quieter-world/article_d420d175-903e-599f-bb1c-f807b7fadcac.html)

## **Climate Change**

StateImpact PA: Pennsylvanians want a lot from their lawmakers when it comes to climate change

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2020/10/19/pennsylvanians-want-a-lot-from-their-lawmakers-when-it-comes-to-climate-change/>

WTF/StateImpact: Pennsylvanians want a lot from their lawmakers when it comes to climate change

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2020/10/19/pennsylvanians-want-a-lot-from-their-lawmakers-when-it-comes-to-climate-change/>

NPR.org: Moving? Six questions to ask about flood risk in a changing climate

<https://www.npr.org/2020/10/18/901109626/moving-6-questions-to-ask-about-flood-risk-in-a-changing-climate>

Allegheny Front: Climate change brings up some hard emotions, but there can be joy in the struggle

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/climate-change-brings-up-some-hard-emotions-but-there-can-be-joy-in-the-struggle/>

## **Conservation & Recreation**

Pennlive: Now is the time to invest in parks, not cut them

<https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2020/10/now-is-the-time-to-invest-in-parks-not-cut-them-opinion.html>

Reading Eagle: Reading's woodland park system a popular getaway for more than a century

[https://www.readingeagle.com/news/local/readings-woodland-park-system-a-popular-getaway-for-more-than-a-century/article\\_68bb18dc-0f45-11eb-8762-bb5bf6d08070.html](https://www.readingeagle.com/news/local/readings-woodland-park-system-a-popular-getaway-for-more-than-a-century/article_68bb18dc-0f45-11eb-8762-bb5bf6d08070.html)

Altoona Mirror: DCNR seeks to fill trail committee

<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2020/10/dcnr-seeks-to-fill-trail-committee/>

The Derrick: Hefty grant will fund trail development work in region

[https://www.thederrick.com/news/front\\_page/hefty-grant-will-fund-trail-development-work-in-region/article\\_d3ca6b2c-0897-52a5-ba02-2c2f47189349.html](https://www.thederrick.com/news/front_page/hefty-grant-will-fund-trail-development-work-in-region/article_d3ca6b2c-0897-52a5-ba02-2c2f47189349.html)

## **Drought**

## **Energy**

Penn State News: Penn State powers up with solar energy

<https://news.psu.edu/story/635735/2020/10/15/campus-life/penn-state-powers-solar>

## **Environmental Cleanup & Brownfields**

## **Mining**

Reading Eagle: New Hanover planners reject final quarry site plan

[https://www.readingeagle.com/news/new-hanover-planners-reject-final-quarry-site-plan/article\\_25a2de17-8275-570e-864c-f35a532baa55.html](https://www.readingeagle.com/news/new-hanover-planners-reject-final-quarry-site-plan/article_25a2de17-8275-570e-864c-f35a532baa55.html)

## **Oil and Gas**

Lebtown.com: Local group reacts to Spotlight PA reporting on Mariner East, calls it eye-opening and disturbing

<https://lebtown.com/2020/10/19/local-group-reacts-to-spotlight-pa-reporting-on-mariner-east-calls-it-eye-opening-and-disturbing/>

Centre Daily Times: Dozens briefly evacuated after natural gas leak reported in Bellefonte

[https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/bellefonte/article246501735.html?ac\\_cid=DM303244&ac\\_bid=-1735507987](https://www.centredaily.com/news/local/community/bellefonte/article246501735.html?ac_cid=DM303244&ac_bid=-1735507987)

Meadville Tribune: Fracking future emerging as key issue in race to win Pennsylvania  
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New Castle News: Fracking future emerging as key issue in race to win PA  
[https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local\\_news/fracking-future-emerging-as-key-issue-in-race-to-win-pa/article\\_84f12f17-d203-51cf-9415-e890bf59f7fc.html](https://www.ncnewsonline.com/news/local_news/fracking-future-emerging-as-key-issue-in-race-to-win-pa/article_84f12f17-d203-51cf-9415-e890bf59f7fc.html)

### **Radiation Protection**

Allegheny Front: Study: Radiation levels higher downwind of fracking sites  
<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/report-radiation-levels-higher-downwind-of-fracking-sites/>

### **Vector Management**

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<https://www.pennlive.com/nation-world/2020/10/spotted-lanternfly-is-causing-issues-but-this-time-its-not-in-pa.html>

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<https://www.pennlive.com/life/2020/10/invading-plants-from-bittersweet-to-swallow-wort-considered-for-pennsylvania-noxious-weed-list.html>

Cameron County News: Spotted Lanternfly is in Cameron County  
<https://camerontownnews.blogspot.com/2020/10/spotted-lanternfly-is-in-cameron-county.html>

### **Waste**

Lebtown.com: Context matters  
<https://lebtown.com/2020/10/19/column-context-matters/>

### **Water**

Altoona Mirror: Dam gates opened as Lakemont dredging project begins  
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2020/10/dam-gates-opened-as-lakemont-dredging-project-begins/>

Altoona Mirror: ISC eyes cleanup for bay  
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2020/10/isc-eyes-cleanup-for-bay/>

NPR.org: Undisclosed: Most homebuyers and renters aren't warned about flood or wildfire risk  
<https://www.npr.org/2020/10/18/918725965/undisclosed-most-homebuyers-and-renters-arent-warned-about-flood-or-wildfire-ris>

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<https://www.recordargusnews.com/articles/water-authority-finds-customers-make-up-for-lagging-sales/>

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NPR.org: Trump's and Biden's plans for the environment

<https://www.npr.org/2020/10/16/920484187/trumps-and-biden-s-plans-for-the-environment>

NPR.org: What would a second Trump term mean for the environment?

<https://www.npr.org/2020/10/19/925278651/what-would-a-2nd-trump-term-mean-for-the-environment>