Some clips may be behind a paywall. If you need access to these clips, email me at diagiela@pa.gov.

# **Top DEP Stories**

Herald Mail Media: Antrim Township wrestles with stormwater-control plan <a href="https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/news/tri">https://www.heraldmailmedia.com/news/tri</a> state/pennsylvania/antrim-township-wrestles-with-stormwater-control-plan/article 3b21c710-b5a1-58b0-a28f-5949f39a572e.html

#### **Mentions**

WITF/StateImpact: Mariner East 2 construction to restart in area of Chester County where water damage occurred

http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/mariner-east-2-construction-to-restart-in-area-of-chester-county-where-water-damage-occured.php

StateImpact PA: Mariner East 2 construction to restart in area of Chester County where water damage occurred

https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2019/02/27/mariner-east-2-construction-to-restart-in-area-of-chester-county-where-water-damage-occurred/

Towanda Daily Review: Easement granted for second Aqua PA waterline crossing <a href="https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/easement-granted-for-second-aqua-pa-waterline-crossing/article">https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/easement-granted-for-second-aqua-pa-waterline-crossing/article</a> 2c12416d-d607-51b0-8372-1e507c26c4a2.html

Bradford Era: Water authority obtaining funds for new transmission main <a href="http://www.bradfordera.com/news/water-authority-obtaining-funds-for-new-transmission-main/article">http://www.bradfordera.com/news/water-authority-obtaining-funds-for-new-transmission-main/article</a> c3bcd83e-3b01-11e9-ae3c-63b250469b9e.html

Pennsylvania Business Report: McDonnell says natural gas helped Pennsylvania reach clean power plan goals

https://pennbizreport.com/news/12250-mcdonnell-says-natural-gas-helped-pennsylvania-reach-clean-power-plan-goals/

## **Climate Change**

Bradford Era: Invasive plants thrive in shifting climate conditions <a href="http://www.bradfordera.com/news/invasive-plants-thrive-in-shifting-climate-conditions/article-faa774da-3acf-11e9-b833-dbdb70287fe9.html">http://www.bradfordera.com/news/invasive-plants-thrive-in-shifting-climate-conditions/article-faa774da-3acf-11e9-b833-dbdb70287fe9.html</a>

Post-Gazette: High CO2 could suppress cooling clouds, a climate change model warns <a href="https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2019/02/27/high-atmospheric-CO2-stratocumulus-clouds-climate-change-scientists/stories/201902270145">https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2019/02/27/high-atmospheric-CO2-stratocumulus-clouds-climate-change-scientists/stories/201902270145</a>

#### **Conservation & Recreation**

Morning Call: Whitehall Township's Mike Kaufmann steps down as guardian of region's fisheries <a href="https://www.mcall.com/sports/outdoors/mc-spt-outdoors-story-20190226-story.html">https://www.mcall.com/sports/outdoors/mc-spt-outdoors-story-20190226-story.html</a>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Support needed to preserve preserve (Editorial) <a href="https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/022819/page/10/story/support-needed-to-preserve-preserve">https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/022819/page/10/story/support-needed-to-preserve-preserve</a>

Wyalusing Rocket-Courier: Yaw bill enhances farmland preservation law <a href="http://www.rocket-courier.com/news/2019-02-28/Local News/Yaw Bill Enhances Farmland Preservation Law.html">http://www.rocket-courier.com/news/2019-02-28/Local News/Yaw Bill Enhances Farmland Preservation Law.html</a>

The Derrick: Alliance touts trail system's economic impact <a href="https://www.thederrick.com/news/front">https://www.thederrick.com/news/front</a> page/alliance-touts-trail-system-s-economic-impact/article af7fef92-b876-5ff2-92b0-f975a17088de.html

Pennlive: Disease area extends into Pennsylvania Elk Range for first time <a href="https://www.pennlive.com/life/2019/02/disease-area-extends-into-pennsylvania-elk-range-for-first-time.html">https://www.pennlive.com/life/2019/02/disease-area-extends-into-pennsylvania-elk-range-for-first-time.html</a>

Tribune-Review: Pittsburgh riverfront trail renamed in honor of former Mayor Tom Murphy <a href="https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/pittsburgh-riverfront-trail-renamed-in-honor-of-former-mayor-tom-murphy/">https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/pittsburgh-riverfront-trail-renamed-in-honor-of-former-mayor-tom-murphy/</a>

Tribune-Review: Loyalhanna Watershed Association farm preserved by state agriculture board <a href="https://triblive.com/news/westmoreland/loyalhanna-watershed-association-farm-preserved-by-state-agriculture-board/">https://triblive.com/news/westmoreland/loyalhanna-watershed-association-farm-preserved-by-state-agriculture-board/</a>

Tribune-Review: Egg watch is on for the Harmar bald eagles <a href="https://triblive.com/news/valley-news-dispatch/egg-watch-is-on-for-the-harmar-bald-eagles/">https://triblive.com/news/valley-news-dispatch/egg-watch-is-on-for-the-harmar-bald-eagles/</a>

Tribune-Review: New chronic wasting disease cases prompt steps to prevent spread of deer infections <a href="https://triblive.com/news/regional/new-chronic-wasting-disease-cases-prompt-steps-to-prevent-spread-of-deer-infections/">https://triblive.com/news/regional/new-chronic-wasting-disease-cases-prompt-steps-to-prevent-spread-of-deer-infections/</a>

Indiana Gazette: Master Gardeners to present worm program <a href="https://www.indianagazette.com/news/master-gardeners-to-present-worm-program/article">https://www.indianagazette.com/news/master-gardeners-to-present-worm-program/article</a> da9b2b5d-9172-5b55-86da-a4d749c08f57.html

# **Energy**

Pennlive: Opponents ignore the many benefits of nuclear power in Pennsylvania <a href="https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2019/02/opponents-ignore-the-many-benefits-of-nuclear-power-in-pennsylvania-opinion.html">https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2019/02/opponents-ignore-the-many-benefits-of-nuclear-power-in-pennsylvania-opinion.html</a>

York Dispatch: EDITORIAL: Legislature shouldn't intervene to prop up Three Mile Island Unit 1 reactor <a href="https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/opinion/editorials/2019/02/28/editorial-legislature-shouldnt-intervene-prop-up-tmi-unit-1/2979225002/">https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/opinion/editorials/2019/02/28/editorial-legislature-shouldnt-intervene-prop-up-tmi-unit-1/2979225002/</a>

Chambersburg Public Opinion: Chambersburg to put \$9.3 million into electric utility upgrades <a href="https://www.publicopiniononline.com/story/news/local/2019/02/28/chambersburg-put-9-3-million-into-electric-utility-system/3004805002/">https://www.publicopiniononline.com/story/news/local/2019/02/28/chambersburg-put-9-3-million-into-electric-utility-system/3004805002/</a>

Lock Haven Express: Centre County enters negotiations for solar photovoltaic array <a href="http://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2019/02/centre-county-enters-negotiations-for-solar-photovotalic-array/">http://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2019/02/centre-county-enters-negotiations-for-solar-photovotalic-array/</a>

Lock Haven Express: How electric cars could make America's crumbling roads even worse <a href="http://www.lockhaven.com/opinion/columns/2019/02/how-electric-cars-could-make-americas-crumbling-roads-even-worse/">http://www.lockhaven.com/opinion/columns/2019/02/how-electric-cars-could-make-americas-crumbling-roads-even-worse/</a>

Sunbury Daily Item: Should nuclear plants get a bailout in the name of climate change? Pennsylvania debates

https://www.newsitem.com/news/national/should-nuclear-plants-get-a-bailout-in-the-name-of/article c5603493-ead7-513c-b7f6-55ccb3d84bcf.html

Sharon Herald: Utility still dealing with scattered power outages <a href="https://www.sharonherald.com/news/utility-still-dealing-with-scattered-power-outages/article">https://www.sharonherald.com/news/utility-still-dealing-with-scattered-power-outages/article</a> cd326460-3a48-11e9-9e2c-1bf309b38f4f.html

Kleinman Center for Energy Policy: Pennsylvania's ZEC Bill Reveal <a href="https://kleinmanenergy.upenn.edu/blog/2019/02/27/pennsylvanias-zec-bill-reveal">https://kleinmanenergy.upenn.edu/blog/2019/02/27/pennsylvanias-zec-bill-reveal</a>

## **Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields**

Carlisle Sentinel: Blasting project on Carlisle Springs Road delayed <a href="https://cumberlink.com/news/local/communities/carlisle/blasting-project-on-carlisle-springs-road-delayed/article">https://cumberlink.com/news/local/communities/carlisle/blasting-project-on-carlisle-springs-road-delayed/article</a> 2a817f5e-947b-5049-a209-efc9bc048a65.html

Post-Gazette: A bridge to prosperity: Peduto says a link between hilltop neighborhoods, Hazelwood would spur development

https://www.post-gazette.com/business/development/2019/02/28/Peduto-Hazelwood-Green-Carrick-Allentown-Hilltop-Oakland-universities/stories/201902280021

# Mining

Tribune-Review (Lexington Herald-Leader): Coal official allegedly cheated on safety tests, putting miners at risk of black lung

https://triblive.com/news/world/coal-official-allegedly-cheated-on-safety-tests-putting-miners-at-risk-of-black-lung-2/

# Oil and Gas

Morning Call: Route modifications push one mile of PennEast pipeline into Monroe County <a href="https://www.mcall.com/news/nationworld/pennsylvania/mc-nws-penn-east-route-modifications-20190226-story.html">https://www.mcall.com/news/nationworld/pennsylvania/mc-nws-penn-east-route-modifications-20190226-story.html</a>

AP News: Feds blame home blast on faulty natural gas line connection https://apnews.com/3cfd3433c6484dc1bb4b3a5d7640670f

Pittsburgh Business Times: EQT announces annual meeting date for later this summer <a href="https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2019/02/27/eqt-announces-later-rather-than-sooner-annual.html?iana=hpmvp\_pit\_news\_headline">https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2019/02/27/eqt-announces-later-rather-than-sooner-annual.html?iana=hpmvp\_pit\_news\_headline</a>

Post-Gazette: EQT sets meeting for July, delaying proxy battle <a href="https://www.post-gazette.com/business/powersource/2019/02/27/EQT-sets-meeting-for-July-delaying-proxy-battle/stories/201902270174">https://www.post-gazette.com/business/powersource/2019/02/27/EQT-sets-meeting-for-July-delaying-proxy-battle/stories/201902270174</a>

## Waste

York Dispatch: Curbside yard waste collection to resume in York City <a href="https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2019/02/27/curbside-yacurbside-yard-waste-collection-to-resume-in-york-cityrd-waste-collection-resume-york-city/3007567002/">https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2019/02/27/curbside-yacurbside-yard-waste-collection-to-resume-in-york-cityrd-waste-collection-resume-york-city/3007567002/</a>

WGAL: Wind scatters trash at landfill https://www.wgal.com/article/wind-scatters-trash-at-landfill/26542433

Corry Journal: Dumpsters coming in April to help residents clean up <a href="http://www.thecorryjournal.com/news/article">http://www.thecorryjournal.com/news/article</a> 3080b3b4-3ab7-11e9-83d8-2f0f2b586c43.html

Philadelphia Inquirer: Entrepreneurs have figured out how to profit by peddling to pick up food scraps <a href="https://www.philly.com/science/climate/food-waste-composting-philadelphia-bennett-compost-circle-philadelphia-20190228.html">https://www.philly.com/science/climate/food-waste-composting-philadelphia-bennett-compost-circle-philadelphia-20190228.html</a>

Philadelphia Inquirer: The frustrating charade of recycling in Philadelphia | Opinion <a href="https://www.philly.com/opinion/commentary/recycling-philadelphia-environment-climate-change-20190227.html">https://www.philly.com/opinion/commentary/recycling-philadelphia-environment-climate-change-20190227.html</a>

Beaver County Times: Shell donates \$225K to boost Beaver County recycling program <a href="https://www.timesonline.com/news/20190227/shell-donates-225k-to-boost-beaver-county-recycling-program">https://www.timesonline.com/news/20190227/shell-donates-225k-to-boost-beaver-county-recycling-program</a>

Tribune-Review: Penn Hills residents warned to avoid contaminating recyclables <a href="https://triblive.com/neighborhoods/penn-hills-residents-warned-to-avoid-contaminating-recyclables/">https://triblive.com/neighborhoods/penn-hills-residents-warned-to-avoid-contaminating-recyclables/</a>

#### Water

WITF: Health department hiring scientists to study PFAS chemicals in drinking water <a href="http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/health-department-hiring-scientists.php">http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/health-department-hiring-scientists.php</a>

Doylestown Intelligencer: Casey, Toomey call on feds for PFAS meeting <a href="https://www.theintell.com/news/20190227/casey-toomey-call-on-feds-for-pfas-meeting">https://www.theintell.com/news/20190227/casey-toomey-call-on-feds-for-pfas-meeting</a>

Pennlive: This is no time to cut funding for Pa. stormwater management <a href="https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2019/02/this-is-no-time-to-cut-funding-for-pa-storm-water-management-pennlive-letters.html">https://www.pennlive.com/opinion/2019/02/this-is-no-time-to-cut-funding-for-pa-storm-water-management-pennlive-letters.html</a>

Pennsylvania Capital-Star: Department of Health seeks \$1.4 million to study chemical contaminants in water

https://www.penncapital-star.com/blog/department-of-health-seeks-1-4-million-to-study-chemical-contaminants-in-water/

WITF: Health department hiring scientists to study PFAS chemicals in drinking water <a href="http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/health-department-hiring-scientists.php">http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/health-department-hiring-scientists.php</a>

Clarion News: Washington expands sewerage line <a href="http://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/article-8b4839d7-21e1-55ee-9960-eaa9e16b1fa8.html">http://www.theclarionnews.com/news/frontpage/article-8b4839d7-21e1-55ee-9960-eaa9e16b1fa8.html</a>

Towanda Daily Review: Easement granted for second Aqua PA waterline crossing <a href="https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/easement-granted-for-second-aqua-pa-waterline-crossing/article">https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/easement-granted-for-second-aqua-pa-waterline-crossing/article</a> 2c12416d-d607-51b0-8372-1e507c26c4a2.html

Towanda Daily Review: Troy track estimated to open in May after electrical, sewer, water line rerouting <a href="https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/troy-track-estimated-to-open-in-may/article">https://www.thedailyreview.com/news/local/troy-track-estimated-to-open-in-may/article</a> 16172f65-59ed-5319-b133-38464fe5854d.html

Sunbury Daily Item: No more elevated lead levels in Warrior Run water, superintendent says <a href="https://www.dailyitem.com/news/no-more-elevated-lead-levels-in-warrior-run-water-superintendent/article">https://www.dailyitem.com/news/no-more-elevated-lead-levels-in-warrior-run-water-superintendent/article</a> 8ad2f410-4532-5172-89da-1c98c8582a08.html

Muncy Luminary: Bridge replacement woes continue for Anthony Township residents following August washout

http://muncyluminary.com/page/content.detail/id/571100/Bridge-replacement-woes-continue-for-Anthony-Township-residents.html?nav=5007

WTAE: Boil water advisory leaves businesses in costly dilemma <a href="https://www.wtae.com/article/boil-water-advisory-leaves-businesses-in-costly-dilemma/26563106">https://www.wtae.com/article/boil-water-advisory-leaves-businesses-in-costly-dilemma/26563106</a>

Tribune-Review: Nearly 4,000 PWSA customers remain under boil water advisory <a href="https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/nearly-4000-pwsa-customers-remain-under-boil-water-advisory/">https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/nearly-4000-pwsa-customers-remain-under-boil-water-advisory/</a>

Tribune-Review: Generators protect Municipal Authority of Westmoreland County from disruptions during power outages

https://triblive.com/news/westmoreland/generators-protect-municipal-authority-of-westmoreland-county-from-disruptions-during-power-outages/

Post-Gazette: Transparency clogged: Alcosan balks at early release of agendas <a href="https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2019/02/28/Alcosan-doesn-t-reveal-board-meeting-agenda-until-the-meeting/stories/201902270137">https://www.post-gazette.com/news/environment/2019/02/28/Alcosan-doesn-t-reveal-board-meeting-agenda-until-the-meeting/stories/201902270137</a>

PublicSource: As North Side council candidates discuss water, police and housing, Harris is a no-show <a href="https://www.publicsource.org/as-north-side-council-candidates-discuss-water-police-and-housing-harris-is-a-no-show/">https://www.publicsource.org/as-north-side-council-candidates-discuss-water-police-and-housing-harris-is-a-no-show/</a>

#### Miscellaneous

Pennlive: Snow goose cam launched at Middle Creek

https://www.pennlive.com/life/2019/02/snow-goose-cam-launched-at-middle-creek.html

Pennlive: Middle Creek snow geese: The birds are here

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/middle-creek-snow-geese-the-birds-are-here-update-

photos/article 02608854-3168-11e9-90c7-b31d6f6934c1.html

WITF/AP: Ash loggers race against time before beetles get them all

http://www.witf.org/news/2019/02/ash-loggers-race-against-time-before-beetles-get-them-all.php

Centre Daily Times: Wisconsin GOP bill would create water pollution credit clearinghouse

https://www.centredaily.com/news/business/article226804149.html

Centre Daily Times: EPA defends enforcement record, despite drop in penalties

https://www.centredaily.com/news/business/article226811039.html

Observer-Reporter: Peters Township approval moves Canonsburg Lake bridge project forward <a href="https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/peters-township-approval-moves-canonsburg-lake-bridge-project-forward/article">https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/peters-township-approval-moves-canonsburg-lake-bridge-project-forward/article</a> 7444ba33-6245-51c0-80f7-2fb6e48ac46e.html

Tribune-Review: Elizabeth Street in Dravosburg to close Monday for landslide repairs <a href="https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/elizabeth-street-in-dravosburg-to-close-monday-for-landslide-repairs/">https://triblive.com/news/pittsburgh-allegheny/elizabeth-street-in-dravosburg-to-close-monday-for-landslide-repairs/</a>

Allegheny Front: Are the Environmental Cops on the Beat? <a href="https://www.alleghenyfront.org/epa-enforcement-is-down-heres-what-it-means">https://www.alleghenyfront.org/epa-enforcement-is-down-heres-what-it-means</a>

Post-Gazette: WEATHER: Snow arriving after rush hour tonight, about an inch forecast <a href="https://www.post-gazette.com/local/region/2019/02/28/WEATHER-pittsburgh-forecast-snow-1/stories/201902280102">https://www.post-gazette.com/local/region/2019/02/28/WEATHER-pittsburgh-forecast-snow-1/stories/201902280102</a>

The Almanac: Improvements planned for Mt. Lebanon's Robb Hollow Park <a href="https://thealmanac.net/news/improvements-planned-for-mt-lebanon-s-robb-hollow-park/article">https://thealmanac.net/news/improvements-planned-for-mt-lebanon-s-robb-hollow-park/article</a> b25a6ede-3ab2-11e9-89e4-bf328774397f.html

Next Pittsburgh: Vertical Clearances? We break down Pittsburgh's debate over the North Side trains <a href="https://www.nextpittsburgh.com/city-design/vertical-clearances-we-break-down-pittsburghs-debate-over-the-north-side-trains/">https://www.nextpittsburgh.com/city-design/vertical-clearances-we-break-down-pittsburghs-debate-over-the-north-side-trains/</a>

PublicSource: 'A lot of hoops,' delays and a lack of contractors: Allegheny County program to remove lead from homes falters

https://www.publicsource.org/a-lot-of-hoops-delays-and-a-lack-of-contractors-allegheny-county-program-to-remove-lead-from-homes-falters/