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## Top DEP Stories

Shamokin News-Item: SCRA veep: Shamokin Creek restoration plan should be ready by summer  
[https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/scra-veep-shamokin-creek-restoration-plan-should-be-ready-by-summer/article\\_1e10dfe1-aba0-52bc-ae10-b2a58038a483.html](https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/scra-veep-shamokin-creek-restoration-plan-should-be-ready-by-summer/article_1e10dfe1-aba0-52bc-ae10-b2a58038a483.html)

## Mentions

Scranton Times: Commissioners want criminal probe of water company's dam project that polluted Roaring Brook, Lackawanna and Susquehanna Rivers with sediment  
[https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/news/commissioners-want-criminal-probe-of-water-companys-dam-project-that-polluted-roaring-brook-lackawanna-and/article\\_b05e39ac-6d8f-5fa3-83fe-2679610c8141.html](https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/news/commissioners-want-criminal-probe-of-water-companys-dam-project-that-polluted-roaring-brook-lackawanna-and/article_b05e39ac-6d8f-5fa3-83fe-2679610c8141.html)

Scranton Times: OPINION: Let the sun shine in, boost solar farms in our region  
[https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/opinion/editorial/let-the-sun-shine-in-boost-solar-farms-in-our-region/article\\_743a3d78-2e0e-5e2f-a3c3-1d341d4723ed.html](https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/opinion/editorial/let-the-sun-shine-in-boost-solar-farms-in-our-region/article_743a3d78-2e0e-5e2f-a3c3-1d341d4723ed.html)

Pennlive: Chemical contaminants will not prevent Wawa construction in Pa. city, DEP says  
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Westfield Free Press-Courier: Elkland Borough dips into reserve, applies for grant  
[https://www.tiogapublishing.com/free\\_press\\_courier/news/local/elkland-borough-dips-into-reserve-applies-for-grant/article\\_9a88e1cc-c9a6-11ee-a04b-7bca4989ebef.html](https://www.tiogapublishing.com/free_press_courier/news/local/elkland-borough-dips-into-reserve-applies-for-grant/article_9a88e1cc-c9a6-11ee-a04b-7bca4989ebef.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Union County Conservation District provides updates  
[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/union-county-conservation-district/article\\_7cba5c34-cb86-11ee-94e9-23c19300d4d9.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/union-county-conservation-district/article_7cba5c34-cb86-11ee-94e9-23c19300d4d9.html)

Lock Haven Express: Conservation District introduces new staff members  
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/community/2024/02/conservation-district-introduces-new-staff-members/>

Yale 360: How a Legal Loophole Allows Gas Leaks to Keep on Flowing  
<https://e360.yale.edu/features/natural-gas-midstream-emissions>

## East Palestine Train Derailment

Pennlive: A year after Ohio derailment, pair monitor waterways: 'There's still something going on'

<https://www.pennlive.com/news/2024/02/a-year-after-ohio-train-derailment-pair-monitor-area-waterways-to-prove-theres-still-something-going-on.html>

KDKA: Questions remain about Pres. Joe Biden's visit to East Palestine 1 year after train derailment  
<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/president-joe-biden-friday-visit-east-palestine-details/>

WPXI: President Joe Biden to visit East Palestine on Friday  
<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/president-joe-biden-visit-east-palestine-friday/KQ6GLG6QMRG3NN5357CVUKNZWY/>

Post-Gazette: Editorial: Biden should use East Palestine visit to push bipartisan railroad safety reform  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/editorials/2024/02/15/biden-east-palestine-bipartisan-railway-safety-act-norfolk-southern/stories/202402150021>

Pittsburgh Union Progress: 'Where are you, President Biden?' Union organizers, residents demand health care for East Palestine  
<https://www.unionprogress.com/2024/02/15/where-are-you-president-biden-union-organizers-ask-adminstration-to-provide-healthcare-to-east-palestine-residents/>

## **Air**

WTAE: Monitors find high levels of toxic benzene near Clairton Coke Works  
<https://www.wtae.com/article/monitors-find-high-levels-of-toxic-benzene-near-clairton-coke-works/46806128>

## **Climate Change**

Sunbury Daily Item: Pennsylvanians favor climate action (Opinion)  
[https://www.dailyitem.com/opinion/pennsylvanians-favor-climate-action/article\\_61c8233a-c473-11ee-8f74-1b35dd4aabf0.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/opinion/pennsylvanians-favor-climate-action/article_61c8233a-c473-11ee-8f74-1b35dd4aabf0.html)

## **Conservation and Recreation**

Lancaster Newspapers: Four Lancaster County farms preserved  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/four-lancaster-county-farms-preserved/article\\_5d5170b4-cc3d-11ee-8dbe-f7ca9c32f38b.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/four-lancaster-county-farms-preserved/article_5d5170b4-cc3d-11ee-8dbe-f7ca9c32f38b.html)

Altoona Mirror: Trail Groups: Create authority  
<https://www.altoonamirror.com/news/local-news/2024/02/trail-groups-create-authority/>

Lancaster Farming: New Bill Safeguards Horses and Packers on Public Trails  
[https://www.lancasterfarming.com/country-life/mid-atlantic-horse/new-bill-safeguards-horses-and-packers-on-public-trails/article\\_16009756-c109-11ee-af01-e7f24519029e.html](https://www.lancasterfarming.com/country-life/mid-atlantic-horse/new-bill-safeguards-horses-and-packers-on-public-trails/article_16009756-c109-11ee-af01-e7f24519029e.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Master plan approved for Turtle Creek Park

[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/master-plan-approved-for-turtle-creek-park/article\\_d2217b22-ca86-11ee-acda-b72482793ed1.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/master-plan-approved-for-turtle-creek-park/article_d2217b22-ca86-11ee-acda-b72482793ed1.html)

## **Energy**

Tribune-Democrat: Guest editorial | Let the sun shine in: Boost solar farms in our region  
[https://www.tribdem.com/news/editorials/guest-editorial-let-the-sun-shine-in-boost-solar-farms-in-our-region/article\\_a9b70dce-cc1a-11ee-b900-4f6b560e4f47.html](https://www.tribdem.com/news/editorials/guest-editorial-let-the-sun-shine-in-boost-solar-farms-in-our-region/article_a9b70dce-cc1a-11ee-b900-4f6b560e4f47.html)

Post-Gazette: Manish Bapna: Capitalism requires giving Americans a real choice for clean energy  
<https://www.post-gazette.com/opinion/guest-columns/2024/02/16/nrdc-clean-energy-choice-fossil-fuel-industry/stories/202402150054>

Utility Dive: GETs could facilitate 6.6 GW of clean energy in five PJM states, saving \$1B a year: RMI  
<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/gets-grid-enhancing-technology-dlr-pjm-rmi/707612>

## **Mining**

Lancaster Newspapers: Public hearing upcoming on proposed expansion of Rheems Quarry  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/public-hearing-upcoming-on-proposed-expansion-of-rheems-quarry/article\\_a4703164-cc2a-11ee-9105-2f6dd7b5230d.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/public-hearing-upcoming-on-proposed-expansion-of-rheems-quarry/article_a4703164-cc2a-11ee-9105-2f6dd7b5230d.html)

## **Oil and Gas**

Westfield Free Press-Courier: Deerfield supervisors talk roads, seismic survey  
[https://www.tiogapublishing.com/free\\_press\\_courier/news/local/deerfield-supervisors-talk-roads-seismic-survey/article\\_7bdc9230-c9a8-11ee-93b8-a716f171529e.html](https://www.tiogapublishing.com/free_press_courier/news/local/deerfield-supervisors-talk-roads-seismic-survey/article_7bdc9230-c9a8-11ee-93b8-a716f171529e.html)

Reuters: US natgas drillers cut spending, reduce activity amid price crash  
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## **Radiation Protection**

Chester County Daily Local: Limerick nuclear plant to make additional tax payments under settlement  
<https://www.dailylocal.com/2024/02/15/limerick-nuclear-plant-to-make-additional-tax-payments-under-settlement/>

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<https://www.pottsmmerc.com/2024/02/15/limerick-nuclear-plant-to-make-additional-tax-payments-under-settlement/>

## **Waste**

Bradford Era: 'Fraud and deception': Plastic companies 'lied' about recycling, report finds  
[https://www.bradfordera.com/news/fraud-and-deception-plastic-companies-lied-about-recycling-report-finds/article\\_577c1e00-cc47-11ee-bd12-1baffb4f12c6.html](https://www.bradfordera.com/news/fraud-and-deception-plastic-companies-lied-about-recycling-report-finds/article_577c1e00-cc47-11ee-bd12-1baffb4f12c6.html)

WBRE: Mount Carmel sanitation warehouse up in flames  
<https://www.pahomepage.com/news/mount-carmel-recycling-center-up-in-flames>

Fox56: Sanitation warehouse engulfed in flames  
<https://fox56.com/news/local/sanitation-warehouse-engulfed-in-flames>

Shamokin News Item: Fire destroys Moser's Sanitation in Mount Carmel  
[https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/fire-destroys-mosers-sanitation-in-mount-carmel/article\\_02e439b0-4146-5042-a320-00ad0e9528bc.html](https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/fire-destroys-mosers-sanitation-in-mount-carmel/article_02e439b0-4146-5042-a320-00ad0e9528bc.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Crews battle commercial building fire in Mount Carmel  
[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/crews-battle-commercial-building-fire-in-mount-carmel/article\\_f11b636e-ccb9-11ee-8d0e-f74b3ab18aef.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/crews-battle-commercial-building-fire-in-mount-carmel/article_f11b636e-ccb9-11ee-8d0e-f74b3ab18aef.html)

Tribune-Review: Longwood at Oakmont buys drug disposal box for Plum community  
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/longwood-at-oakmont-buys-drug-disposal-box-for-plum-community/>

## **Water**

The Derrick: Spaid says no updates on proposed water tie-in with Reno  
[https://www.thederrick.com/news/community\\_news/spaid-says-no-updates-on-proposed-water-tie-in-with-reno/article\\_e8d5a804-cc50-11ee-8111-c3e6c570a7d6.html](https://www.thederrick.com/news/community_news/spaid-says-no-updates-on-proposed-water-tie-in-with-reno/article_e8d5a804-cc50-11ee-8111-c3e6c570a7d6.html)

Lancaster Newspapers: Ephrata Twp. still has about \$200K in rescue plan funding for future plans like Akron Road culvert project  
[https://lancasteronline.com/news/regional/ephrata-twp-still-has-about-200k-in-rescue-plan-funding-for-future-plans-like-akron/article\\_fa50cdd2-c752-11ee-8818-dfb42b46d0bb.html](https://lancasteronline.com/news/regional/ephrata-twp-still-has-about-200k-in-rescue-plan-funding-for-future-plans-like-akron/article_fa50cdd2-c752-11ee-8818-dfb42b46d0bb.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Association looking for help choosing music for Songs of the Susquehanna project  
[https://www.dailyitem.com/applause/association-looking-for-help-choosing-music-for-songs-of-the-susquehanna-project/article\\_2db34696-cae1-11ee-bf00-d7e75ab81f08.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/applause/association-looking-for-help-choosing-music-for-songs-of-the-susquehanna-project/article_2db34696-cae1-11ee-bf00-d7e75ab81f08.html)

Sunbury Daily Item: Riverboat project plans unveiled at Sunday afternoon party  
[https://www.dailyitem.com/news/riverboat-project-plans-unveiled-at-sunday-afternoon-party/article\\_63f56384-cb8a-11ee-98cb-0be7a8d64a38.html](https://www.dailyitem.com/news/riverboat-project-plans-unveiled-at-sunday-afternoon-party/article_63f56384-cb8a-11ee-98cb-0be7a8d64a38.html)

Tube City Almanac: Duquesne: Water Quality, Billing on City To-Do List  
<http://almanac.tubecityonline.com/almanac/?e=3353>

Tube City Almanac: \$50K Grant Will Target Storm Basins in Wilmerding

<http://almanac.tubecityonline.com/almanac/?e=3351>

## **Miscellaneous**

Lancaster Newspapers: How to grow your own berries, beans and uncommon greens: Tips from a sustainable farming conference

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York Dispatch: 'Massive' 200-acre warehouse project requires larger site plan paper, developer says

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2024/02/15/massive-200-acre-warehouse-project-requires-larger-site-plan-paper-developer-says/72536900007/>

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<https://www.readingeagle.com/2024/02/16/schuylkill-haven-school-district-wraps-construction-of-greenhouse/>

Lancaster Farming: Two Philadelphia Sustainable Agricultural Businesses Honored for Leadership

[https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/news/two-philadelphia-sustainable-agricultural-businesses-honored-for-leadership/article\\_39a1dc4e-ca76-11ee-9837-4f613d402c91.html](https://www.lancasterfarming.com/farming-news/news/two-philadelphia-sustainable-agricultural-businesses-honored-for-leadership/article_39a1dc4e-ca76-11ee-9837-4f613d402c91.html)

WITF: A small fish is at the center of a big fight in the Chesapeake Bay

<https://www.witf.org/2024/02/15/a-small-fish-is-at-the-center-of-a-big-fight-in-the-chesapeake-bay/>