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Top DEP Stories

Scranton Times: The year ahead: The future of two Keystones — landfill and college — and other developments in 2025

<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2025/01/19/the-year-ahead-the-future-of-two-keystones-landfill-and-college-and-other-developments-to-come-in-2025/>

Mentions

WFMZ: Contaminated Nockamixon site added to Pa.'s priority list of hazardous sites

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Avian Influenza

WGAL: Bird flu: Getting the facts

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WGAL: Pennsylvania farmer uses lasers to protect flock from avian flu

<https://www.wgal.com/article/pennsylvania-farmer-lasers-protect-flock-from-avian-flu/63602394>

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<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/egg-prices-in-pittsburgh-spiking-whats-the-cause/>

Conservation and Recreation

Erie Times: Ice dunes at Presque Isle are beautiful, but dangerous. What to know and how to stay safe

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WICU-TV: Erie County Secures Nearly \$260K for Recreation, Environmental Projects

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Scranton Times: Grant money for flood mitigation, recreation and environmental projects in Lackawanna, Luzerne counties announced
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York Daily Record: Hunters to gain access to 11 more properties across Pennsylvania. Here's where to go
<https://www.ydr.com/story/sports/outdoors/2025/01/29/game-commission-purchases-multiple-parcels-of-land-across-pennsylvania-state-game-land-acquistions/77976707007/>

York Daily Record: Pa. trout stocking schedule to be released, changes for fish clean and new places to fish
<https://www.ydr.com/story/sports/outdoors/2025/01/28/pa-trout-stocking-schedule-to-be-released-by-february-fish-and-commission-trout-fishing-cleaning/77977245007/>

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<https://www.monvalleyindependent.com/2025/01/29/council-hears-concerns-on-condition-of-boat-launch/>

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<https://billypenn.com/2025/01/28/pjm-shapiro-capacity-auction-cap-agreement/>

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Mining

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Levittown Now: NEARBY: Authority Says It Takes Newtown Wastewater Plant 'Due Diligence Seriously'

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