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Top DEP Stories

Corry Journal: DEP encourages Pennsylvanians to test their homes for radon during National Radon Action Month

https://www.thecorryjournal.com/news/article_1891d31b-a24c-4de2-b191-9a4c1903e2dd.html

Centre Daily Times: DEP encourages residents to test their homes for radon

<https://www.centre daily.com/news/article314332581.html>

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: DEP issues notice of violation for Eureka Resources in wake of waste spillage

<https://www.sungazette.com/news/top-news/2026/01/dep-issues-notice-of-violation-for-eureka-resources-in-wake-of-waste-spillage/>

Scoop (Public Herald): Ohio is left holding Pennsylvania's waste bags after facilities contaminated waterways

https://scoop.publicherald.org/p/ohio-is-left-holding-pennsylvanias?utm_source=post-email-title&publication_id=1430350&post_id=184781367&utm_campaign=email-post-title&isFreemail=true&r=d6ml3&triedRedirect=true&utm_medium=email

Mentions

Bucks County Herald: Wrightstown prepping new Anchor Run Stream restoration proposal

https://www.buckscountyherald.com/news/wrightstown-prepping-new-anchor-run-stream-restoration-proposal/article_a5c4c1c2-c21b-451b-a3ab-e69ea6c825b3.html

Conservation and Recreation

Allegheny Front: Pa. Game Commission proposes change to start of firearms deer season

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/pennsylvania-game-commission-firearms-deer-season-start-change/>

WESA: Still have your live Christmas tree? Some Pittsburgh goats want it.

<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2026-01-16/christmas-tree-pittsburgh-goats>

WJAC: Low water levels closes Batman Run boat launch at Raystown Lake

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/low-water-levels-closes-batman-run-boat-launch-at-raystown-lake>

KDKA: Firearms deer season in Pennsylvania would open before Thanksgiving under new proposal

<https://www.cbsnews.com/pittsburgh/news/pennsylvania-firearms-deer-season-earlier-start/>

Tribune-Democrat: Plan for Goucher Street sports complex scaled down

https://www.tribdem.com/news/local_news/plan-for-goucher-street-sports-complex-scaled-down/article_5052f99a-7276-4308-8c3e-e9a09220a773.html

Beaver County Times: Battle for the heart — and health — of the Allegheny National Forest
<https://www.timesonline.com/story/news/state/2026/01/16/battle-for-the-heart-and-health-of-the-allegheny-national-forest-pa/88189948007/>

Citizens Voice: Campgrounds at Lackawanna, Ricketts Glen state parks to close in September
<https://www.citizensvoice.com/2026/01/15/campgrounds-at-lackawanna-ricketts-glen-state-parks-to-close-in-september/>

WKOK: Environmental Education Expo Returns To Montour Preserve
<https://www.wkok.com/environmental-education-expo-returns-to-montour-preserve/>

WKOK: Game Commission considers major change to deer season
<https://www.wkok.com/623699-2/>

Lock Haven Express: Shapiro, Redding announce second round of ag grants
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2026/01/shapiro-redding-announce-second-round-of-ag-grants/>

Data Centers

Scranton Times: Dozens turn out to oppose proposed Ransom Twp. data center
<https://www.thetimes-tribune.com/2026/01/16/dozens-turn-out-to-oppose-proposed-ransom-twp-data-center/>

Times Leader: Many Pa. residents don't want data centers in their communities; State leaders are welcoming them.
<https://www.timesleader.com/news/1730041/many-pa-residents-dont-want-data-centers-in-their-communities-state-leaders-are-welcoming-them>

Centre Daily Times: Many Pa. residents don't want data centers in their communities. State leaders are welcoming them
<https://www.centre daily.com/news/state/pennsylvania/article314336861.html>

Energy

WESA: Renewables could help with energy affordability in Pennsylvania, advocates say
<https://www.wesa.fm/environment-energy/2026-01-16/renewables-energy-affordability-pennsylvania>

6abc: How to get energy assistance help in the Philadelphia region amid rising costs
<https://6abc.com/post/how-get-energy-assistance-help-philadelphia-region-amid-rising-costs/18410078/>

Mining

WESA: After a year of uncertainty, federal mine safety research employees in Pa. get good news
<https://www.allegenyfront.org/federal-mine-safety-research-employees-reinstated/>

Lock Haven Express: After a year of uncertainty, federal mine safety research employees in PA get good news
<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2026/01/after-a-year-of-uncertainty-federal-mine-safety-research-employees-in-pa-get-good-news/>

Waste

Huntingdon Daily News: Recycling site enclosed
https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/recycling-site-enclosed/article_dab7e1be-750a-4a91-b04b-681395813c59.html

Williamsport Sun-Gazette: Landfill is an asset (LTE)
<https://www.sungazette.com/opinion/letters/2026/01/landfill-an-asset/>

Water

WFMZ: Wood Avenue warehouse dealt another blow as Easton zoners deny request to relocate stream
https://www.wfmz.com/news/area/lehighvalley/northampton-county/easton-area/wood-avenue-warehouse-dealt-another-blow-as-easton-zoners-denry-request-to-relocate-stream/article_9816688d-cb97-47dd-b195-0b0ebe5d255a.html

Lehighvalleynews: Easton Zoners reject special exception requests for Easton Commerce Park warehouse
<https://www.lehighvalleynews.com/easton/easton-zoners-reject-special-exception-requests-for-easton-commerce-park-warehouse>

Standard Speaker: Hearing airs arguments for, against Pennsylvania American water-rate hike
<https://www.standardspeaker.com/2026/01/15/hearing-airs-arguments-for-against-pennsylvania-american-water-rate-hike/>

WOLF: Residents voice concerns over proposed water rate hike at Scranton public meeting
<https://fox56.com/news/local/residents-voice-concerns-over-proposed-water-rate-hike-at-scranton-public-meeting>

WTAJ: Raystown Lake boat launch closed until further notice due to drought
<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/raystown-lake-boat-launch-closed-until-further-notice-due-to-drought/>

Miscellaneous

Republican Herald: 3 blighted buildings in northern Schuylkill to be razed soon

<https://www.republicanherald.com/2026/01/15/3-blighted-buildings-in-northern-schuylkill-to-be-razed-soon/>

WNEP: Local farmers showcase animals at Pennsylvania Farm Show

<https://www.wnep.com/article/news/state/local-farmers-showcase-animals-at-pennsylvania-farm-show-bettys-acres-bloomsburg-harrisburg-sweet-arrow/523-af8ca737-220a-49eb-8835-214e7c0ae38d?tbref=hp>

York Dispatch: Pa. researchers first in the country to create a firefly inventory

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/pennsylvania/2026/01/15/pa-researchers-first-in-the-country-to-create-a-firefly-inventory/88195985007/>