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## Top DEP Stories

Shamokin News-Item: City environmental resiliency plan in development  
[https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/city-environmental-resiliency-plan-in-development/article\\_677c4930-2ddd-5b11-aa10-4a8f7e4a2473.html](https://www.newsitem.com/news/local/city-environmental-resiliency-plan-in-development/article_677c4930-2ddd-5b11-aa10-4a8f7e4a2473.html)

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<https://www.exploreclarion.com/2021/07/22/rimersburg-boil-water-advisory-lifted/>

Bloomsburg Press-Enterprise: Industry over health in fracking fight  
<https://www.pressenterpriseonline.com/daily/072221/page/15/story/industry-over-health-in-fracking-fight>

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## Air

Daily American: What's with the haze? Forest fires cause increased pollution in northeast  
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Observer-Reporter: Smoke from wildfires impacting air quality in region

[https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/smoke-from-wildfires-impacting-air-quality-in-region/article\\_41ffb8c0-ea40-11eb-a1c1-7ff85dd3245b.html](https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/smoke-from-wildfires-impacting-air-quality-in-region/article_41ffb8c0-ea40-11eb-a1c1-7ff85dd3245b.html)

## **Climate Change**

Pennsylvania Capital-Star: Scientists understood the physics of climate change in the 1800s, thanks to Eunice Foote | Opinion

<https://www.penncapital-star.com/commentary/scientists-understood-physics-of-climate-change-in-the-1800s-thanks-to-a-woman-named-eunice-foote-opinion/>

WESA: Bicyclists To Visit Pittsburgh As Part Of Coast-To-Coast Climate Ride

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KDKA: City Receiving Complaints Of Scooters Left On Sidewalks 2 Weeks Into New Program

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## **Waste**

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