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Top DEP Stories

Delaware RiverKeeper: Join us at the PADEP Air Permit Hearing Sept. 19!

<https://delawariverkeeper.org/node/7146>

Allegheny Front: CHEMICAL COMPANIES TO PAY PENNSYLVANIA \$100 MILLION FOR PCB CONTAMINATION

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/chemical-companies-to-pay-pennsylvania-100-million-for-pcb-contamination/>

Mentions

Lock Haven Express: CCSWA board discuss drafted 2024 budget

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2023/09/ccswa-board-discuss-drafted-2024-budget/>

Daily Local: Eight new electric vehicle charging ports coming to Chester County government facilities

<https://www.dailylocal.com/2023/09/14/eight-new-electric-vehicle-charging-ports-coming-to-chester-county-government-facilities/>

Delaware RiverKeeper: Riverwatch September 15, 2023

<https://youtu.be/PPV9IWuypD8?si=lwhBCmJOARIWFWWi>

Air

Pittsburgh Business Times: New Sierra Club study highlights emitters in Pittsburgh region

https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2023/09/14/clairton-sierra-club-pittsburgh.html?cx_testId=40&cx_testVariant=cx_37&cx_artPos=6#cxrecs_s

Climate Change

MyChesCo: Chester County's First Sustainability Summit: Shaping a Greener Future

<https://www.mychesco.com/a/news/government/chester-countys-first-sustainability-summit-shaping-a-greener-future/>

WTF/StateImpact: Fingerprints of climate change seen in Pa.'s hot summer days

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2023/09/14/fingerprints-of-climate-change-seen-in-pa-s-hot-summer-days/>

WTF/StateImpact: What can one person do about climate change? Part 6: Upgrade your home

<https://stateimpact.npr.org/pennsylvania/2023/09/15/what-can-one-person-do-about-climate-change-part-6-upgrade-your-home/>

Conservation and Recreation

Lancaster Newspapers: Mill Creek Falls Nature Preserve in York County among Lancaster Conservancy trails newly opened, renovated

https://lancasteronline.com/news/local/mill-creek-falls-nature-preserve-in-york-county-among-lancaster-conservancy-trails-newly-opened-renovated/article_8848b070-5302-11ee-a7a7-bb37f1259292.html

York Daily Record: Mill Creek Falls Nature Preserve opens in Lower Chanceford with two new trails, one with falls

<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2023/09/14/mill-creek-falls-nature-preserve-opens-in-lower-chanceford-with-falls/70826394007/>

York Dispatch: York County nature lovers have new trails to explore at Mill Creek Falls preserve

<https://www.yorkdispatch.com/story/news/local/2023/09/15/york-county-nature-lovers-have-new-trails-to-explore-at-mill-creek-falls-preserve/70856847007/>

Huntingdon Daily News: Trail gets funding boost

https://www.huntingdondailynews.com/news/local/trail-gets-funding-boost/article_74ea717a-b3c2-5df2-a9ac-b1b1661d86c1.html

Bedford Gazette: Tunnel Vision: Trail project earns \$700K grant

https://www.bedfordgazette.com/news/local/tunnel-vision-trail-project-earns-700k-grant/article_f96c009d-25ba-5706-be2b-0d5e821e950f.html

WTAJ: Old Pennsylvania Pike Trail holds revitalization celebration

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/old-pennsylvania-pike-trail-holds-revitalization-celebration/>

Tribune-Review: \$9 million in federal grant money to fund Pittsburgh forestry efforts

<https://triblive.com/local/9-million-in-federal-grant-money-to-fund-pittsburgh-forestry-efforts/>

Tribune-Review: Penn State study says spotted lanternflies don't damage trees, forests

<https://triblive.com/local/regional/penn-state-study-says-spotted-lanternflies-dont-damage-trees-forests/>

Tribune-Review: Greenfield Elementary students help design schoolyard proposal

<https://triblive.com/news/education-classroom/greenfield-elementary-students-help-design-schoolyard-proposal/>

Drought

FOX43: Leaves falling earlier, more dull color, thanks to months-long drought

<https://www.fox43.com/article/weather/leaves-falling-earlier-dull-color-months-long-drought/521-7fcd983c-bce5-465a-8d52-23367a05c305>

Energy

Carlisle Sentinel: Carlisle plans Monday opening of first borough-owned EV charging stations, approves parking kiosk installation

https://cumberlink.com/news/local/carlisle-electric-vehicle-charging-stations-parking-kiosks/article_4247acaa-5354-11ee-8a28-f71e642087ad.html#tracking-source=home-top-story

WTaj: GET Solar Centre Region helping residents go solar

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/get-solar-centre-region-helping-residents-go-solar/>

Pittsburgh Business Times: Pittsburgh wins millions in 'smart' energy infrastructure funding

<https://www.bizjournals.com/pittsburgh/news/2023/09/14/pittsburgh-clean-energy-infrastructure.html>

WPXI: City of Pittsburgh receiving millions from DOE in clean energy grants

<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/city-pittsburgh-receiving-millions-doe-clean-energy-grants/JGOSPRANXZDSXIAKTWH2VRLRFE/>

WJAC: Schools considering switch to solar energy

<https://wjactv.com/news/local/schools-considering-switch-to-solar-energy#>

Oil and Gas

The Hill: Biden administration gives states more authority to block pipeline projects

<https://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/4204365-biden-administration-gives-states-more-authority-to-block-pipeline-projects/>

WPXI: Multiple Ross Township homes evacuated after contractor hits gas line

<https://www.wpxi.com/news/local/multiple-ross-township-homes-evacuated-after-contractor-hits-gas-line/B2HJ2RUV5RHJ3H3WZIXYVQQQ2U/>

Allegheny Front: OHIO AG INVESTIGATING DISPUTED PUBLIC COMMENTS THAT URGE FRACKING IN STATE PARKS

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/fracking-ohio-state-parks-public-comments/>

Vector Management

Centre Daily Times: Insects or pests bugging you in PA? How to distinguish common bites

<https://www.centredaily.com/news/state/pennsylvania/article278974104.html>

Waste

Go Erie: 'Huge' underground storage tanks being removed at vacant Quin-T property in east Erie

<https://www.goerie.com/story/news/local/2023/09/15/erie-pa-quin-t-site-30000-gallon-underground-tanks-removal-tina-mengine-emi-redevelopment/70853022007/>

Tribune-Review: Blawnox approves new garbage contract with current hauler, rates to increase by at least 14%

<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/blawnox-officials-approve-new-garbage-contract-with-current-hauler-rates-to-increase/>

Water

Penn State News: Rivers rapidly warming, losing oxygen; aquatic life may be at risk, study finds

<https://www.psu.edu/news/research/story/rivers-rapidly-warming-losing-oxygen-aquatic-life-may-be-risk-study-finds/>

abc27: York Water Company announces mandatory nonessential water use restriction

<https://www.abc27.com/local-news/york/york-water-company-announces-mandatory-nonessential-water-use-restriction/>

CBS21: York Water Company implements mandatory restriction for nonessential water use

<https://local21news.com/news/local/york-water-company-implements-mandatory-restriction-for-nonessential-water-use#>

WGAL: York Water Company implements mandatory restriction on nonessential water use

<https://www.wgal.com/article/york-water-company-mandatory-restriction-on-nonessential-water-use/45154896>

York Daily Record: Mandatory water restrictions now in effect as drought continues: York Water Company

<https://www.ydr.com/story/news/local/2023/09/15/york-water-company-moves-to-mandatory-water-restrictions-because-of-drought/70863282007/>

WTAJ: A Huntingdon County beach is closed after bacteria sampling

<https://www.wtaj.com/news/local-news/a-huntingdon-county-beach-is-closed-after-bacteria-sampling/>

Allegheny Front: AN AUTHOR REVISITS THE YOUGHIOGHENY RIVER AND FINDS MANY CHANGES FOR THE BETTER

<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/youghioghenny-river-book-tim-palmer/>

Post-Gazette: Pennsylvania American Water announces \$11.3M upgrade to McKeesport wastewater

<https://www.post-gazette.com/local/east/2023/09/14/mckeesport-wastewater-sewer-infrastructure/stories/202309140122>

Miscellaneous

Lock Haven Express: Farm profits reached new heights last year, but are expected to drop in 2023

<https://www.lockhaven.com/news/local-news/2023/09/farm-profits-reached-new-heights-last-year-but-are-expected-to-drop-in-2023/>

Philadelphia Inquirer: Look up at the stars | Outdoorsy Newsletter

<https://www.inquirer.com/life/outdoors/stargazing-near-philadelphia-spotted-lanternflies-beach-20230915.html?query=Sustainability>

WITF/WESA: Timberwolf Orchard: where regenerative farming and soil health practices are taking root
<https://www.witf.org/2023/09/15/timberwolf-orchard-where-regenerative-farming-and-soil-health-practices-are-taking-root/>

Tribune-Review: Proposed Springdale zoning overlay needs some revisions, planners say
<https://triblive.com/local/valley-news-dispatch/proposed-springdale-zoning-overlay-needs-some-revisions-planners-say/>

Observer-Reporter: No injuries reported in McDonald chemical fire
https://observer-reporter.com/news/localnews/no-injuries-reported-in-mcdonald-chemical-fire/article_3b8a9734-5321-11ee-a4c9-93ab130d8acf.html