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Welcome to the June issue of the Delaware County Environmental Clearinghouse newsletter, which brings you local and national environmental news and events. As of now, the newsletter is being sent to the leaders of Delaware County environmental organizations. We urge you to forward the newsletters to your members so they can sign up for it as well. And please visit our website, [enviodelco.org](http://enviodelco.org). *The Clearinghouse Team.*

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## [Commentary: PA not doing enough to manage abandoned oil and gas wells](#)

By State Representative Greg Vitali

Pennsylvania is the nation's second-largest natural gas producer, yet the commonwealth does not provide sufficient resources to its Department of Environmental Protection to properly regulate this industry. Gas wells are routinely abandoned, many drillers fail to report their drilling activity as required by law and drilling wastewater is illegally dumped on roadways. In the upcoming state budget, Gov. Josh Shapiro and Pennsylvania's General Assembly must provide additional staffing for the DEP's Oil and Gas Program to address these problems. [Read more](#)

## [SEPTA cuts to regional rail will put 275,000 more cars on area roads](#)

June 10, 2025

At a roundtable of elected officials and planning experts on SEPTA's \$213 million deficit, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission estimated that proposed cuts to regional rail and bus routes will put 275,000 more cars on the area's



already overcrowded roadways. That will add to air pollution and cost thousands of people to lose their jobs because they will be unable to get to work. [Read more](#)

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## [CEO of LNG terminal project meets with Trump, says Delco sites still viable](#)

June 8, 2025

The CEO of a company seeking to build a liquefied natural gas terminal near Philadelphia told Reuters on Wednesday he met officials at the White House this week to “provide intelligence” about the project in the works for years despite local opposition. He says Eddystone, Trainer and Marcus Hooks are possible sites.

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## [EPA's own AI declares climate change real, manmade](#)

June 7, 2025

EPA has a new generative artificial intelligence tool. And it believes climate change is dangerous. “Climate change is real and is supported by a vast body of scientific evidence,” it states in one answer. “It refers to significant and lasting changes in the Earth’s climate, particularly an increase in global temperatures, largely due to human activities such as burning fossil fuels, deforestation and industrial processes.” [Read more](#)

*Photo: Lee Zeldin talking at the Trans-Alaska pipeline*



## [Radnor Wins Awards for Flood Reduction Project](#)

June 6, 2025

Radnor Township and Meliora Design recently received the Public Projects Award and Audience Choice Award for “South Devon Area Flood Reduction: Revitalizing a Wooded Wetland Preserve in Radnor” at the first Green Stormwater Infrastructure Projects & Innovation Showcase hosted by the Sustainable Business Network. [Read more](#)



## [Trump Orders Eddystone Power Plant to Stay](#)

## Open for the Summer

June 5, 2025

The U.S. Department of Energy has ordered another power plant, this time an oil and gas plant in Delaware County, to keep its turbines running through the hottest summer months as a precaution against electric shortfalls in the 13-state mid-Atlantic grid. [Read more](#)

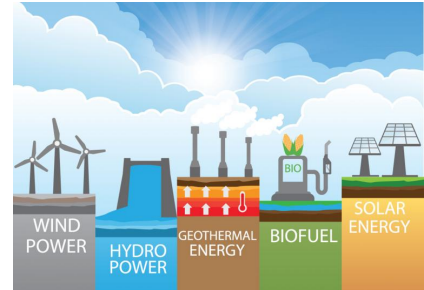


## New Data: PA ranks 49th in U.S. for renewable energy growth

June 5, 2025

PHILADELPHIA – Pennsylvania ranks 49th in the nation for percentage growth in total solar, wind and geothermal generation over the past decade, according to new data released on Wednesday by PennEnvironment. The State of Renewable Energy 2025 documents the growth of six key clean energy technologies across the United States over the past decade and ranks states accordingly for solar power, wind power, battery storage, energy efficiency, electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging stations.

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## Upper Darby schools to get \$2.4M, three other Delco districts get solar grants

May 21, 2025

Pennsylvania has awarded grants totaling \$22.5 million to 73 schools across the state to help pay for solar energy installations under the Solar for Schools Program, the Commonwealth Financing Authority announced Tuesday. The Upper Darby School District will receive about \$2.4 million for six schools and three other Delaware County districts – Rose Tree-Media, William Penn and Haverford – also were awarded grants. [Read more](#)



[Startup's efforts to recycle lithium car batteries ends in bankruptcy](#)

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[Wind, solar need to help meet tremendous demand for power over next 25 years, PA House](#)



[Federal judge orders Trump Administration to restore \\$176 million in environmental funding immediately](#)

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[PA Supreme Court hears suit on whether state can join 11-state carbon cap and trade consortium](#)

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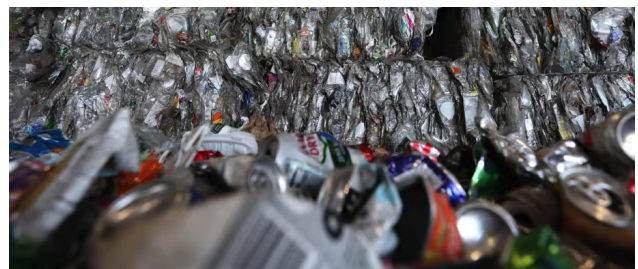
[Trump EPA has all but stopped enforcing environmental laws](#)

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[New Jersey, other states suing over Trump wind ban](#)

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The Guardian 5-6-25

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[Demand that Gov. Shapiro join 15 other states in a lawsuit to protect our environment](#)

Delaware Riverkeepers

### **TAKE ACTION!**

[Tell your U.S. Senators not to roll back auto emissions standards; House has already approved](#)

The Climate Reality Project

**TAKE ACTION!**

**Contact our senators now to urge them to stop the repeal of clean energy incentives in the ‘big beautiful bill’**

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