

# Environmental News

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Welcome to the January 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.*

## Monroe Energy tank farm in Aston leaks 278,000 gallons of gasoline

**December 28, 2025**

Monroe Energy's tank farm in Aston, Bethel and Upper Chichester townships has leaked as much as 278,000 gallons of gasoline into the groundwater at the site since last summer, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection disclosed Dec. 23.

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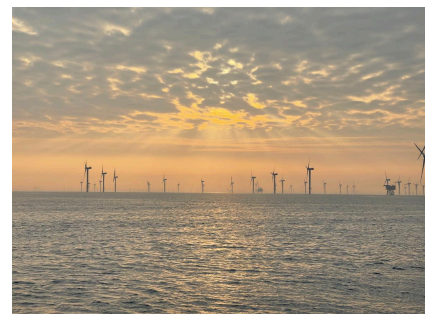


## 'Bonkers': DOI letter halts all five in-progress offshore wind farms

**December 23, 2025**

The Interior Department announced Monday it is pausing leases for all five large-scale offshore wind projects under construction in America, citing unspecified issues of national security.

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## Clean energy versus non-renewables: the fight goes on in Congress and the courts

**December 15, 2025**

The Trump administration's anti-renewables policies have left gigawatts' worth of new solar and wind projects strangled in red tape. So as Congress revisits energy-permitting reform, which it's



tried and failed to pass several times over the past few years, solar companies are taking a stand.

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## **CRCQL: Ask Philadelphia City Council to pass the Stop Trashing Our Air Act**

**December 8, 2025**

Chester Residents Concerned with Quality Living (CRCQL) is asking Philadelphia and Delaware County residents to call or email Philadelphia City Council members to urge them to vote for the Stop Trashing Our Air Act that would bar the city from sending its trash to the Reworld incinerator in Chester. The vote was postponed so there is still time to be heard. Reworld and the trash incinerator industry is fighting back with full page ads in the Inquirer.

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## **Lower Merion is first in PA to ban gas-powered leaf blowers**

**November 30, 2025**

Lower Merion Township in Montgomery County will be the first municipality in Pennsylvania to totally ban gas-powered leaf blowers, starting in 2029. Here in Delaware County, Transition Town Greater Media is building awareness and community support before seeking similar restrictions.

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## **Learn about DEP environmental grants: Maybe your project qualifies**

**November 26, 2025**

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection administers 50 grant programs for environmental projects. 2025 grants are winding down, but you can get a jump on 2026-2027 grant requirements and qualifications. If you want to do something big or small to help the environment and you can get some financial help for your project, why not apply?!

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### **A Request to All Our Environmental Friends:**

Please put the Environmental Clearinghouse on your mailing list and send us your news releases or public events promptly so we can announce them to the whole community.

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## Latest News

- [Offshore wind had a terrible 2025 – what can be learned?](#) Canary Media — 1-7-26
- [SPEED Act passes House, iffy in Senate: would weaken environmental oversight of new projects](#) — Inside Climate News 12-18-25
- [Gov. Shapiro elected chair of Chesapeake Bay Executive Council](#) — PA Capital-Star 12-2-25
- [PJM weighing proposals to deal with data center impact on PA power grid](#) — PA Capital-Star 11-24-25
- [Wawa, Sheetz making progress in revamping for EV charging](#) — Canary Media 11-27-25

### TAKE ACTION!

Climate Action continues its work to educate about climate change – check out upcoming events.

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Shapiro invites applicants to apply for 2026 Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence — DEP

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