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Welcome to the July 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. *The Clearinghouse Team.*

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A Request to All Our Environmental Friends:

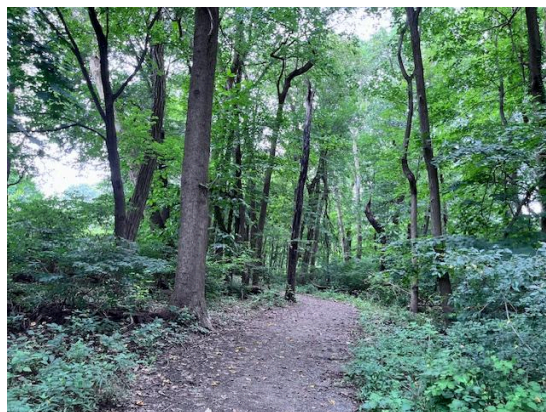
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County Council to ask voters for okay debt to finance open space projects

July 15, 2026

Delaware County Council voted 5-0 to place a referendum on the November ballot asking voters whether they favor increasing the county's debt by up to \$120 million to finance land conservation projects, including protecting drinking water sources, preserving wildlife habitat, providing trails and parks and protecting natural areas.



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[Philadelphia plans to award a new four-year contract to Reworld incinerator](#)

July 15, 2026

Despite heavy lobbying by Energy Justice Network, Chester Residents Concerned for Quality Living and other environmental groups to ban trash burning at the Reworld Incinerator in Chester, the City of Philadelphia will seek another four-year contract with the country's largest incinerator.

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[DEP launches technical assistance pilot program for community and nonprofit organizations](#)

July 12, 2026

The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Energy Programs Office (EPO) is launching an eight-month pilot program, Technical Assistance for Community Energy and Resilience (TACER), to help nonprofits and community-based organizations (CBOs) develop energy affordability, energy efficiency, and community resilience projects.

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[New power plants for data centers would significantly increase PA's air pollution](#)

July 6, 2026

Data center developers in Pennsylvania plan to rely on at least seven new natural gas-fired power plants that would emit climate-warming gases equal to adding 14 million cars on the road every year, according to a new report.

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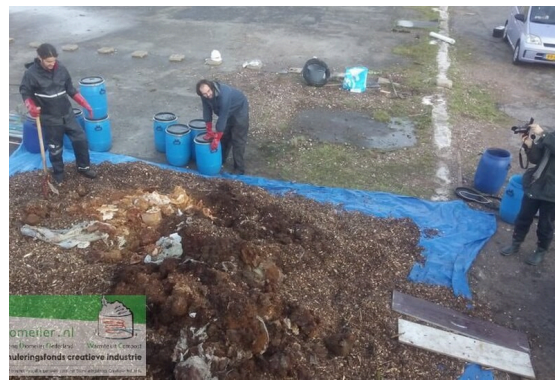


[County gets \\$5 million in federal funds for composting, hazardous household waste center](#)

July 5, 2026

Delaware County is planning to spend a nearly \$5 million infusion of federal monies to open a countywide composting center in Chester Township and a household hazardous waste collection site in Broomall.

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[Eddystone says it is not in talks for LNG Terminal](#)

June 25, 2026

Eddystone is not in secret talks with any company seeking to build an LNG terminal, according to the borough manager in response to allegations raised by two environmental groups.

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[House passes bill to end secret sweetheart deals on data centers](#)

June 24, 2026

Just a week after anti-data center protesters descended on the capitol in Harrisburg, the Pennsylvania House passed a bill 171-31 in June 30 to require developers of data centers to disclose ownership and hold public meetings in affected communities to qualify for millions of dollars in tax breaks.

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[Delaware Riverkeepers looking for volunteer water pollution monitors](#)

June 23, 2026

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network and Riverways Coalition are seeking enthusiastic individuals that are interested in adopting a section of a creek, stream, or river in the Philadelphia region for weekly monitoring. Volunteers will conduct visual assessments of Combined Sewer Overflow outfalls at their assigned sections.

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[DEP Seeks comment on change in ambient air monitoring plans in Chester](#)

June 23, 2026

The DEP has published its 2026 Air Monitoring Network Plan for the entire state and is seeking public comment, but Delaware Countians are likely to be most interested in pages 22 to 29, dealing with Chester's air monitoring program, of the 161-page statewide report.

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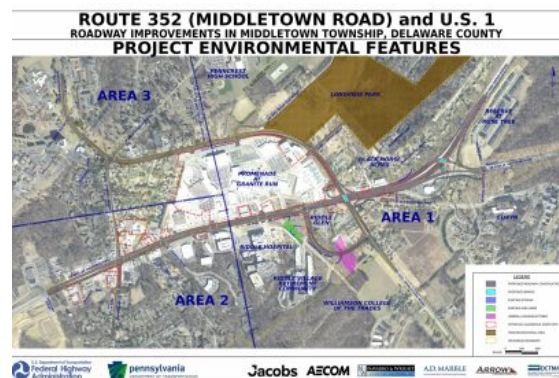


[PennDOT publishes plan for Rte. 352 and Rte. 1 improvements](#)

June 21, 2026

PennDOT has published its plans to reconstruct the intersection of Route 352 and Route 1 in Middletown and also to upgrade the Route 452 and Route 1 intersection, which is about a half-mile further west on Baltimore Pike. Together, the two intersections cause considerable congestion.

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[Pa. bills would tie data center tax break to transparency, sustainability](#)

June 18, 2026

Data center developers would be required to pledge transparency in Pennsylvania communities where they want to build in order to get a sales tax break on computer equipment, under legislation aiming to prevent secrecy around the massive computing hubs.



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