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Session Status

At 11:26 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 the Senate stands in recess until the call of the President Pro Tempore. The Senate is next scheduled to reconvene on Wednesday, November 14, at 1:00 p.m.

At 11:49 p.m. on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 the House stands in recess until the 12 hour call of the Chair. The House is next scheduled to reconvene on Tuesday, November 13, at 11:00 a.m.

Upcoming Session Days

House

November 13

Senate

November 14

**WEEKLY TRANSPORTATION RECAP**

**Around the Rotunda**

No Around the Rotunda this week.

**Committee News**

No Committee News this week.

**Bullet.in.Points**

**PENNDOT: PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS BOARD MEETING**

The Department of Transportation's Public-Private Partnerships Board will hold a meeting on November 29, 2018, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Keystone Building, Harrisburg. For more information contact Kathryn Tartaglia at (717) 214-7222 or [katartagli@pa.gov](mailto:katartagli@pa.gov).

**Cosponsor Memos**

No Cosponsor Memos this week.

**Bill Actions**

No Bill Actions this week.

**Upcoming Events**

**PA Public Utility Commission**

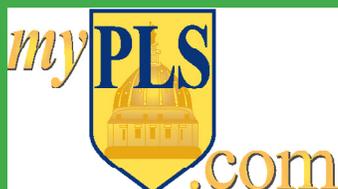
*November 13, 2018 - 1:00 p.m. Jennersville YMCA, 880 W. Baltimore Pike, West Grove*  
Public input hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152

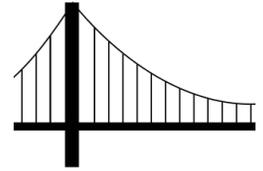
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**PA Public Utility Commission**

*November 14, 2018 - 1:00 p.m. Montgomery County Community College, 214 Small Auditorium, 340 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell*  
Public input hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152

*November 14, 2018 - 6:00 p.m. Bensalem Township High School, 4319 Hulmeville Road, Bensalem*  
Public input hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152





**Department of Transportation**

*November 14, 2018 - 12:30 p.m. Turnpike Commission, Executive Board Room, 700 Eisenhower Boulevard, Middletown*  
Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-8645

*November 14, 2018 - 9:00 a.m. Conference Room 112, PEMA Headquarters Building, 1310 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg*  
State Transportation Innovation Council (SITC) Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-9880

**Press Conference**

*November 14, 2018 - 11:00 a.m., Main Capitol Rotunda, Harrisburg*  
ASCE 2018 Report Card for Pennsylvania's Infrastructure (unconfirmed)

**PA Public Utility Commission**

*November 15, 2018 - 1:00 p.m. Springfield Township Science Center Building, 50 Powell Road, Springfield*  
Public input hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152

*November 15, 2018 - 6:00 p.m. Upper Dublin High School, 800 Loch Alsh Avenue, Fort Washington*  
Public input hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152

**Pittsburgh Port Authority**

*November 15, 2018 - 8:30 a.m. Neal N. Holmes Board Room, 5th Floor, 345 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh*  
Planning & Stakeholder Relations Committee Meeting. For additional information: (412) 566-5137

*November 15, 2018 - 9:00 a.m. Neal N. Holmes Board Room, 5th Floor, 345 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh*  
Performance Oversight Committee Meeting. For additional information: (412) 566-5137

**Southeastern Pennsylvania Transit Authority (SEPTA) Board**

*November 15, 2018 - 3:00 p.m. SEPTA Headquarters, 1234 Market Street, Mezzanine Level, Philadelphia*  
Board Meeting. For additional information: (215) 580-7800

**PA Public Utility Commission**

*November 16, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. Commonwealth Keystone Building, Hearing Room 1, Plaza Level, 400 North Street, Harrisburg*  
Smart hearings for rate increase requests by Aqua PA and Aqua PA Wastewater. For additional information: (717) 783-6152

**PA Turnpike Commission**

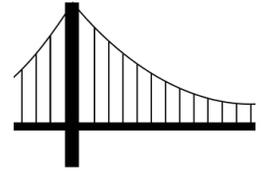
*November 20, 2018 - 10:00 a.m. Turnpike Admin. Bldg, Large Board Room, 700 S. Eisenhower Blvd., 3rd Fl., Middletown*  
Commission Meeting. For additional information: (717) 831-733

**Delaware River Port Authority/PATCO**

*November 21, 2018 - 9:00 a.m. 2 Riverside Drive, Camden NJ*  
Board Meeting. For additional information: (856) 968-2253

**Department of Transportation**

*November 29, 2018 - 1:00 p.m. Keystone Building, Forest Room, 400 North St., Harrisburg*  
Public-Private Transportation Partnership Board Meeting. For additional information: (717) 787-3154

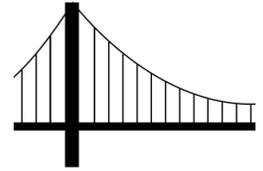


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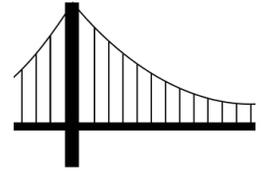
November 30, 2018 - 9:30 a.m. Neal N. Holmes Board Room, 5th Floor, 345 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh Board Meeting. For additional information: (412) 566-5137

### **In the News**

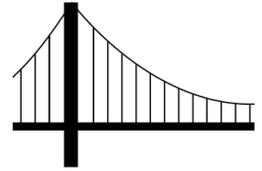
- 11-09-2018      **Norfolk Southern spreads safety message in Reading**  
It's difficult to go anywhere in Reading without crossing railroad tracks, and it's tempting for pedestrians to take shortcuts by cutting across railways outside of designated crossings. But that's not only trespassing; it's dangerous, Norfolk Southern officials... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 11-09-2018      **City parking solution disputed**  
The Altoona Parking Authority doesn't plan to change its rules for 12th Avenue, despite a recent letter that tweaks the authority — and Penn State Altoona — for “self-congratulatory” statements about having solved the perennial downtown parking problem. Those statements, alleged to be self-congratulatory, appeared in an Oct. 4... - [Altoona Mirror](#)
- 11-09-2018      **Erie faces budget challenges in 2019, beyond**  
Erie Mayor Joe Schember will officially unveil his 2019 city budget proposal on Nov. 21. However, members of Erie City Council and the public have already received a preview — and the fiscal picture is not pretty. A projected \$11 million deficit for 2019. At least \$2 million in additional employee-related costs, such as salaries,... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-09-2018      **After months of detours, section of River Street in W-B reopens**  
WILKES-BARRE — After nearly three months of detours, traffic congestion and poor sales for local businesses, a three-block section of River Street has finally reopened to traffic, a city official confirmed on Thursday. The Wyoming Valley Sanitary Authority finished installing about 1,000... - [Wilkes-Barre Citizens' Voice](#)
- 11-09-2018      **‘It’s nonsense’: How Lebanon County legislators say they will make government work better**  
There are plenty of hot-button partisan issues that Lebanon County’s Republican legislators could champion in the next two years, but State Rep. Frank Ryan said he wants to focus on a bipartisan problem: the inefficient ways Harrisburg operates. Easy decisions that would have taken him 30 seconds as a business owner... - [Lebanon Daily News](#)
- 11-09-2018      **Wish List in Hand, Mayor de Blasio Savors New Dynamic in Albany**  
For as long as Bill de Blasio has been mayor, his relationship with Albany has been somewhere between nonexistent and disastrous. Time and again, the mayor has been stymied in nearly every attempt to move the city’s agenda through the State Legislature, with the... - [New York Times](#)
- 11-09-2018      **Tesla Names a Successor to Elon Musk as Board Chief**  
Six weeks after settling a securities-fraud lawsuit with federal regulators, Tesla and Elon Musk have made good on one of the agreement’s key provisions — naming a new board chief to impose order on a company whose automaking has often been overshadowed by Mr.... - [New York Times](#)



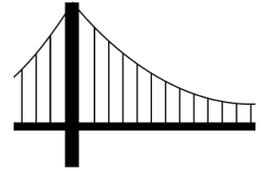
- 11-09-2018 **More than \$32 million project on the horizon at State College airport**  
The Penn State Board of Trustees Committee on Finance, Business and Capital Planning on Thursday voted to recommend the approval of the appointment of an architect for a taxiway rehabilitation project at University Park Airport. The proposed architect is Mead & Hunt, of Middleton, Wisconsin.... - [State College Centre Daily Times](#)
- 11-09-2018 **How Leaves, Icicles and an Old Bridge Can Complicate Commutes**  
Every day this week, New Jersey Transit has heaped more frustration onto its customers by warning them that their morning trains could be delayed by “slippery rail” conditions. To some beleaguered riders, that explanation sounded like a concocted excuse for the railroad’s continuing struggle to operate on time. A few... - [New York Times](#)
- 11-09-2018 **At Doomed Flight’s Helm, Pilots May Have Been Overwhelmed in Seconds**  
JAKARTA — The final moments of Lion Air Flight 610 as it hurtled soon after dawn from a calm Indonesian sky into the waters of the Java Sea would have been terrifying but swift. The single-aisle Boeing aircraft, assembled in Washington State and delivered to Lion Air less than three months ago, appears to have plummeted... - [New York Times](#)
- 11-09-2018 **Large fires threaten Ventura County communities; 101 Freeway closed, more than 1,000 homes evacuated**  
Portions of Ventura County were under siege Thursday evening as two large fires descended on neighborhoods, threatening numerous communities reeling from the massacre at a country music bar the night before. The Hill fire was being whipped up by powerful winds that pushed it through... - [Los Angeles Times](#)
- 11-09-2018 **City eyes sewer line to airport**  
OIL CREEK TOWNSHIP — The City of Titusville is considering extending a sewage line through Oil Creek Township to the Titusville Airport with the goal of promoting development near the facility. At Thursday’s meeting of the township supervisors, Titusville City... - [Titusville Herald](#)
- 11-09-2018 **Visibility key in safe biking and running**  
As the days continue to grow shorter, motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians may all find themselves navigating the roadway in the dark, making visibility imperative for everyone’s safety. The times before sunrise and after sunset, as well as at dawn and dusk, are... - [Huntingdon Daily News](#)
- 11-09-2018 **Senior housing plans set in motion**  
The Wood Township Supervisors Wednesday evening set in motion the first phase of the proposed Robertsdale Senior Apartments project with the signing of several required documents. The action highlighted the monthly session of the municipal leaders in a meeting held in Robertsdale.... - [Huntingdon Daily News](#)
- 11-09-2018 **Route 288 being straightened, lowered in Franklin Township airport project**  
FRANKLIN TWP. — If you’ve been driving along Route 288 over the last year, chances are you’ve been stopped by a flagger near the Zelenople Municipal Airport. Airport Manager David Holman said Thursday that construction along a section of 288 near Lake Road is part of a several-year project that began... - [Ellwood City Ledger](#)



- 11-09-2018 **Is Philly's parking tax too high? Garage owners blame it for rising cost of parking**  
Parking for a day at a private garage in Center City now typically costs \$20 to \$30. But owners of those garages are warning drivers that the price could increase to as much as \$50 to \$70 per day. On Thursday, they posted fliers in their garages and handed out pamphlets to announce that threat.... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 11-08-2018 **Letter: Revamped highway showing signs of wear**  
Editor: "Pottstown Bypass all set" (Reading Eagle, Nov. 2) is wonderful news, as we no longer have to drive through so much construction on our way to Philadelphia among cars and trucks far exceeding the speed limit. However, it is only a matter of time before we will be subjected to delays for... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 11-08-2018 **Allentown Council cuts funding for Franklin Street demolition to \$200,000**  
The demolition of an Allentown property that city officials initially feared would cost \$1.25 million has been scaled back to a \$200,000 price tag. Allentown City Council voted Wednesday on an amended allocation for demolition costs for a former warehouse property at 418 N. Franklin St. The... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-08-2018 **AAA honors local police for road safety efforts**  
AAA East Central honored more than 90 western Pennsylvania police departments, including several from Beaver County, for their efforts to increase road safety. The annual Community Traffic Safety Program awards were given out in a ceremony Monday. "Each organization has gone above and beyond their call of duty to make... - [Beaver County Times](#)
- 11-08-2018 **PennDOT to air Sunset Road plans**  
PennDOT will hold an open house and plans display from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Carrolltown Social Hall & Club on Main Street to discuss the Sunset Road improvements study. The study investigated various improvement options to address safety and mobility issues along Sunset Road in Carrolltown Borough, East Carroll... - [Johnstown Tribune-Democrat](#)
- 11-08-2018 **Subway Announcements Are Changing (Not That You Can Hear Them Anyway)**  
It turns out that New York City subway conductors are like actors: They have scripts they are supposed to follow. The scripts are in a blue booklet issued by New York City Transit, which wants conductors to keep it close to the vest — almost literally. The booklet is small enough to fit in a pocket so conductors can refer to it if... - [New York Times](#)
- 11-08-2018 **Has the love affair with driving gotten stuck in traffic?**  
America's love affair with the automobile and those dreams of roaring off on open highways are on the wane as the nation grapples with too much stop-and-go traffic and too many hours spent behind the steering wheel. Those findings are contained in a report to be released Thursday by Arity,... - [Washington Post](#)
- 11-08-2018 **Pay attention to school buses and their precious cargo**  
It really is a question about how much children mean to us. Are they precious enough for us to pay just a little bit of attention while we are driving? Not for some people. We doubt there is a school bus driver in our area who has not watched in shock, fear and anger as motorists ignored flashing red lights and extended... - [Lock Haven Express](#)



- 11-08-2018 **[TSA, AAA issue warnings ahead of Thanksgiving travel, expecting highest volume since 2005](#)**  
They will come by plane. They will come by train. They will drive in the snow. They will be on the go. But the travel forecast says when they do it sure could be slow. AAA projects more than 54 million Americans will travel this Thanksgiving holiday — a 4.8 percent increase over last year and the highest travel... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-08-2018 **[Pittsburgh area officers among those honored for DUI enforcement efforts](#)**  
Seventeen local and state police officers in the Pittsburgh area are among 71 municipal and state law enforcement officers being honored for their vigilance in DUI enforcement. The Pennsylvania Driving Under the Influence Association is celebrating the 21st anniversary of its “DUI Top Gun” awards. Those being honored... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-08-2018 **[Crews start removing ‘I Love NY’ tourism signs from highways](#)**  
Hundreds of New York interstate highway tourism signs at the center of a yearslong spat between the federal government and the Cuomo administration are being removed and relocated, state transportation officials said Thursday... - [AP](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[Port Authority extends airport shuttle into Point Breeze; splits 21-Coraopolis into two routes](#)**  
Port Authority is extending its airport shuttle eastward in Pittsburgh. Service on the 28X-Airport Flyer currently goes no farther east than Fifth Avenue at Morewood Avenue on the border between Shadyside and Squirrel Hill. Starting Nov. 18, however, the transit agency is adding numerous stops... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[Hearing related to Southwest Airlines accident slated](#)**  
Federal transportation authorities will hold an investigative hearing next week related to the explosion of a Southwest Airlines plane engine over Pennsylvania that led to the death of a passenger earlier this year... - [AP](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[NASA conducts quiet sonic boom tests near Texas Gulf Coast](#)**  
NASA is monitoring how residents living near the Texas Gulf Coast react to quiet sonic booms as the space agency works on an experimental aircraft that could significantly reduce commercial flight times... - [AP](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[LCTA to provide free rides, gifts to veterans Nov. 12](#)**  
To honor area veterans, the Luzerne County Transportation Authority will once again offer free rides on its fixed route buses and present commemorative pins to all active duty military and all veterans Monday, Nov. 12. Veterans should show the bus driver their military ID card; VA medical card... - [Wilkes-Barre Times Leader](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[Public meeting set on bridge work](#)**  
Public meeting set on bridge work - [Wilkes-Barre Citizens' Voice](#)
- 11-07-2018 **[PennDOT will discuss Route 3015 project](#)**  
PennDOT will hold an open house and plans display from 6 to 7 p.m. Nov. 14 at Windber Area Middle/High School to inform the public about the proposed Route 3015 structure replacement project in Scalp Level Borough. The project consists of the replacement of the existing bridge over Little... - [Johnstown Tribune-Democrat](#)



- 11-07-2018 **Harrisburg joining Lancaster in changing one-way streets to two-way**  
Lancaster is currently wrapping up its second major changeover of a one-way street to two-way traffic. And it isn't the only central Pennsylvania city implementing such conversions. Harrisburg is hosting a public meeting this evening on a \$6 million plan to convert part of North Second Street from one-way to two-way traffic.... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 11-07-2018 **Erie viaduct group files appeal as demolition looms**  
Erie CPR Connect + Respect is fighting the dismissal of a lawsuit that aimed to halt demolition of McBride Viaduct. PennDOT says the bridge will be closed to walkers starting Wednesday and demolition is to begin Nov. 27. The demolition of the McBride Viaduct has an official start date.... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-07-2018 **Motorist cited for driving on McBride Viaduct**  
Erie police called after news crew reports the incident Wednesday morning. A motorist suspected of showing his displeasure over the planned demolition of the McBride Viaduct on Erie's east side earned some traffic citations after city police said he moved barricades and repeatedly drove... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-07-2018 **Editorial: Follow school-bus law to keep kids safe**  
Too many people are violating the law on stopping for school buses. Our Opinion: Drivers must watch for those flashing red lights before and after school. With the days getting shorter as winter approaches, a number of state agencies got together this week with an important reminder about keeping... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 11-07-2018 **Cooper Township denies opening road for UTV/ATV use**  
KYLERTOWN — A request for opening a Cooper Township road for UTV/ATV use was denied at Monday night's supervisors meeting. Larry Mayes of the Snow Shoe Rails to Trails asked the supervisors if they would consider opening up the township's 1.68-mile section portion of... - [Clearfield Progress](#)
- 11-07-2018 **City may hike fee**  
Butler City Council is once again considering raising parking permit fees by \$5 per month. At a special meeting Monday, Councilman Michael Walter, the director of accounts and finance, recommended the increase to help pay for repairs and upgrades at parking garages and lots.... - [Butler Eagle](#)
- 11-07-2018 **State officials focus on school bus safety**  
A series of recent incidents involving school buses or children waiting to board a bus has state officials reminding motorists to be on guard. Officials from the state Department of Transportation, the Pennsylvania State Police and the state Department of Education, met Monday to reinforce... - [Waynesboro Record Herald](#)
- 11-07-2018 **What Amazon May Mean for Queens: Gentrification and (More) Packed Trains**  
Is Amazon ready for the New York City subway? In the neighborhood where the company reportedly wants to set up shop, the train routinely arrives full: cars packed so tightly with commuters rumbling into Long Island City from eastern Queens that waiting riders... - [New York Times](#)



- 11-07-2018 **Claims of racial profiling on 5 Freeway echo findings against sheriff's deputies in Antelope Valley**  
For years, black and Latino residents in the Antelope Valley complained they were the victims of racially biased stops and searches along with other mistreatment by Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies. The U.S. Department of Justice analyzed Sheriff's Department data from tens... - [Los Angeles Times](#)
- 11-07-2018 **Reflections from the Quiet Car: No noise is good noise | Opinion**  
I have just entered one of the few remaining truly quiet public places on earth. It's a silence so deep and powerful it almost has fragrance. Metaphors spring forth. An eel swimming in oil. Dew falling on a rose. An Iroquois canoe gliding downstream. I speak, of course, of Amtrak's Quiet Car.... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Delays at Philly airport because of equipment trouble**  
Flights were temporarily halted Monday night at Philadelphia International Airport because of a power outage affecting the air-traffic-control tower, officials said. At 7:23 p.m., airport officials reported on Twitter that a ground stop was in place "due to equipment outage at the FAA tower."... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 11-06-2018 **State police will host child safety seat checks in Sipesville**  
State police will be on hand later this month in Somerset County to conduct free inspections of child safety seats. Troopers will be at the Sipesville Volunteer Fire Department, 968 Route 4002 in Sipesville, from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone wanting to have a rear-facing, forward-facing or booster seat is invited to attend.... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Erie-area agencies honored for safety efforts by AAA**  
Eight departments received awards for traffic safety initiatives on Monday. Eight area law enforcement agencies were honored by AAA for their efforts at increasing traffic safety. The agencies were among 52 in western Pennsylvania that received awards from AAA East Central during an event in Cranberry Township on Monday.... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Sign up for TSA PreCheck at Erie airport Nov. 5-9**  
Program allows travelers to speed through airport security. Travelers can register for the Transportation Safety Administration's PreCheck program at Erie International Airport in November. PreCheck enrollments will be accepted in the terminal lobby Nov. 5-9 from 8... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-06-2018 **What to do if you hit a deer in Pennsylvania**  
With daylight saving time comes shorter days, cooler weather and an increase in deer activity. The Pennsylvania Game Commission is advising motorists to slow down and be alert, as the time change has more drivers on the road between dawn and dusk — the peak time for deer activity.... - [State College Centre Daily Times](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Gas prices continue to fall in western Pennsylvania**  
Gas prices in western Pennsylvania and across the country continue to decrease heading into the busy holiday season. Gas prices in western Pennsylvania and across the country continue to decrease heading into the busy holiday season. What's more, according to travel agency AAA, is that many experts and... - [Beaver County Times](#)



- 11-06-2018 **LVIA passenger numbers drop sharply but still ahead of 2017 levels**  
Passenger numbers at Lehigh Valley International Airport fell back to earth in September but remain ahead of last year's figures, according to airport officials. September saw 57,195 passengers travel through the Hanover Township, Lehigh County airport in September, according to the Lehigh Northampton Airport... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Nazareth rewrites ordinance governing billboards, electronic signs**  
Nazareth has taken steps to better regulate the placement of billboards and electronic signs within the borough. After fighting with PennDOT earlier this year over safety concerns associated with a digital LED sign at Route 248 and Route 191, council on Monday approved an amendment to its zoning ordinance to have greater... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Gas prices drop a lot in region, but just a trickle in Washington**  
Gasoline prices have dropped another 4.4 cents per gallon in Western Pennsylvania. The average price of a gallon of unleaded self-serve this week is \$2.995, according to a report Monday from AAA East Central. This was the fourth consecutive weekly decrease across the area, totaling... - [Washington Observer-Reporter](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Ride-share companies embrace election frenzy**  
Ride-share companies are capitalizing on voter enthusiasm ahead of Tuesday's midterm elections by offering free or discounted rides to the polls in shared cars, bikes and scooters... - [AP](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Ground Stop Lifted At Philadelphia International Airport After 'Equipment Outage At FAA Tower'**  
A ground stop at Philadelphia International Airport has been lifted after an "equipment outage at the FAA Tower," officials said. The ground stop lasted for nearly 2 hours. "FAA ground stop due to earlier tower power outage has been lifted. FAA reporting some arriving flights are running 1 hour 54 minutes behind... - [KYW News Radio 1060](#)
- 11-06-2018 **Elon Musk says his futuristic transportation tunnel in L.A. is 'disturbingly long'**  
It seems to go on forever, snaking beneath suburban Hawthorne, Calif., like an underground waterslide. This weekend, billionaire inventor Elon Musk claimed he walked every inch of his Boring Company's nearly finished "test tunnel," which is being used for the research and development of public transportation... - [Washington Post](#)
- 11-06-2018 **String of deadly school-bus-related crashes leads safety advocates to urge federally mandated measures**  
A series of deadly school-bus-related crashes has led safety advocates to renew calls for a federal law that would require the vehicles to be equipped with seat belts, better brakes and data recorders that could help capture information about an accident. Cathy Chase, president of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, urged... - [Washington Post](#)
- 11-06-2018 **It's peak time for deer-related crashes: What to do if you have one**  
With the end of daylight savings time comes shorter days, cooler weather and an increase in deer activity. The Pennsylvania Game Commission is advising motorists to slow down and be alert, as the time change has more drivers on the road between dawn and dusk — the peak time for deer activity.... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)



- 11-06-2018 **[Air Products made more than \\$3 billion in FY2018, sticking to CEO's plan in FY19](#)**  
As two of its competitors inch closer to a \$45 billion merger, Air Products continues to make the case that it doesn't need to be the biggest industrial gas company in order to be the most productive. Air Products investors earned \$7.45 per share in fiscal year 2018 and \$2... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-06-2018 **[Hearing related to Southwest Airlines accident slated](#)**  
PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Federal transportation authorities will hold an investigative hearing next week related to the explosion of a Southwest Airlines plane engine over Pennsylvania that led to the death of a passenger earlier this year... - [AP](#)
- 11-06-2018 **[Port Authority will expand airport, Coraopolis bus routes](#)**  
The Port Authority plans to extend two of its bus routes this month, including its only bus to Pittsburgh International Airport, a spokesman said Tuesday. The 28X-Airport Flyer route will add Pittsburgh's Shadyside and Point Breeze neighborhoods beginning Nov. 18, according to Port Authority... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-05-2018 **[Kissing crossing guard of Lawrenceville: 'Life's too short to be petty'](#)**  
Cathy Gamble makes crossing a busy Pittsburgh street memorable. A Pittsburgh city crossing guard for more than 18 years, Gamble works the intersection of 44th and Butler streets in Lawrenceville. These days, she spreads happiness and goodwill. Tragedy struck her life in... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-05-2018 **[Scranton council wants to pass on pocket park](#)**  
Most city council members want to abandon a plan to turn a contaminated lot downtown into a pocket park and instead sell it for development after it is cleaned up. However, Mayor Bill Courtright is committed to creating a pocket park on the vacant lot at 248 Wyoming Ave. and Linden Street, saying the plan,... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 11-05-2018 **[Motorists face fines for driving over fire hoses](#)**  
The motorist who ran over a fire hose at the scene of an Oct. 23 house fire in Geistown is on the hook to pay for any damage to the hose and faces a fine of up to \$300, authorities said. Fire broke out at 6 a.m. in the 200 block of Karen Way. A 4-inch, cotton... - [Johnstown Tribune-Democrat](#)
- 11-05-2018 **[PennDOT Connects announced at municipal summit](#)**  
Bradford County can expect more involvement with local transportation decisions following a community initiative posed by PennDOT. - [Towanda Daily Review](#)
- 11-05-2018 **[Going down: The average price of gas in the Lehigh Valley has dropped 6 cents in last week](#)**  
No, you're not imagining it. The average price of gas in the Lehigh Valley is on a free fall. According to GasBuddy.com, the average price of regular gasoline is \$2.89 a gallon. Last Monday it was \$2.95 a gallon. Better yet — you can find regular gasoline for as low as \$2.68 in the... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)



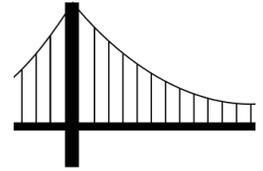
- 11-05-2018 **Gas prices take biggest one-week plunge for 2018**  
The past week saw the biggest one-week decline in gasoline prices this year, with the national average falling to its lowest level since April, a gas price analyst says. “Any politician taking credit ahead of the elections is absolutely pulling your leg,” said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-05-2018 **Landslide creeping across Rochester Road in Ross; 1 lane closed, second could follow**  
A section of Rochester Road is blocked this morning due to a landslide, according to public safety officials. The Perrysville Volunteer Fire Co. reported at 8 a.m. that the slide is near Hillendale Road between Loweries Run Road and Perry Highway. The slide pushed trees into power lines, knocking out power to 392... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-05-2018 **PennDOT, hospital hold second food drive**  
For the second year in a row, staff from the Huntingdon County PennDOT District 9 are hoping they can get a little help from the community to fill as many of their tandem axel dump trucks with nonperishable food items to help area residents out for the upcoming holiday season.... - [Huntingdon Daily News](#)
- 11-05-2018 **Water Street Bridge in Hellertown to remain closed Tuesday for debris cleanup**  
The Water Street Bridge in Hellertown, closed by flooding Saturday, will be closed again Tuesday for debris removal, the borough announced Monday. The borough advised motorists to seek alternative routes on Tuesday. The bridge connects Hellertown to Lower Saucon over the Saucon Creek.... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)
- 11-04-2018 **American Airlines adding two new domestic flights at PHL in 2019**  
American Airlines is adding year-round flights from Philadelphia International Airport to Asheville, N.C., and Chattanooga, TN, starting May 3, 2019. Tickets go on sale Monday, the airline said Friday. Next May, American will also start operating its PHL-Prague route on a bigger plane... - [Philadelphia Inquirer](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Go Westmoreland transit ride now can be scheduled by home computers**  
Passengers who travel on Go Westmoreland, the transit authority’s shared-ride program, will now be able to schedule trips by using computers at home. For several weeks, the transit authority been testing a new online scheduling system. Starting last week, it opened to all riders, director of... - [Pittsburgh Tribune-Review](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Uber, Lyft to provide free rides to the polls in region**  
Both Uber and Lyft have offered to give some voters who live in communities where public transportation is limited free rides to the polls in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre area and throughout the country on Tuesday. Uber is partnering with #VoteTogether and Democracy Works to provide free... - [Scranton Times](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Viaduct demolition set to start? Maybe not**  
As PennDOT schedules bridge’s demolition, citizens’ group announces intent to appeal court decision Demolition of the McBride Viaduct, the eastside bridge at the center of a recently-dismissed federal civil rights lawsuit, is expected to start sometime in December.... - [Erie Times-News](#)



- 11-04-2018 **Parking enforcement officer recognized for taking action after shooting**  
Reading Parking Authority leadership last week recognized a parking enforcement officer who jumped into action after a city man was shot. Sterling Brown said instincts as lessons learned in his childhood guided him after he heard shots near the 200 block of Oley Street on the afternoon... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 11-04-2018 **PennDOT: North Atherton Street and Potters Mills Gap construction to cause more delays**  
Although the leaves are finally changing color, the weather getting colder and the days shorter, construction season is still going strong in Centre County. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation is continuing work on two major long-term construction projects — Potters Mills Gap and North... - [State College Centre Daily Times](#)
- 11-04-2018 **3 Girl Scouts, 1 adult picking up litter killed in Wisconsin hit-and-run crash**  
A pickup truck lurched off a road in western Wisconsin on Saturday and hit a group of Girl Scouts picking up trash in a ditch, leaving three girls and one adult dead and critically injuring a fourth girl, police said... - [AP](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Drivers, please be alert for pedestrians**  
I have lived in Lancaster city for more than 14 years and enjoy being able to walk throughout the city to purchase food, volunteer, work, go to church and meet with friends. However, walking and crossing streets is becoming increasingly dangerous to pedestrians.... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Now is the most likely time Lancaster County motorists will hit a deer and end of daylight saving time won't help**  
It's that time of year again when motorists in Lancaster County and Pennsylvania are most likely to hit deer with their vehicles, making the commonwealth one of the most prone for whitetail crashes in the United States. And the chances will go up beginning Sunday when daylight saving time ends... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 11-04-2018 **'Never anything like this': Warwick superintendent says students, faculty continue to grieve a week after fatal crash**  
Support from the Warwick community — and beyond — has been incredible in the week since a collision just off campus killed two Warwick High School students and injured others, the school district's top administrator said Friday. Warwick superintendent April Hershey spoke to the media for the first time... - [Lancaster Intelligencer Journal](#)
- 11-04-2018 **Bullet train survives legal challenge as judge tosses lawsuit over bond funds**  
The California bullet train project can continue to draw on a bond approved by voters in 2008 after a Superior Court judge on Thursday rejected a civil suit that sought to block the use of those funds. The decision was crucial for the project. Though only 12% of the... - [Los Angeles Times](#)
- 11-04-2018 **NJ Transit debacle: Portal plan is a bridge too far for affordability | Mulshine**  
Those internet mapping services are wonderful, but sometimes you've got to go look at things with the naked eye. One such thing is the Portal Bridge, that small span over the Hackensack River that creates such big problems for commuters. I've been over it countless times in trains. But after last week's NJ... - [Trenton Times](#)



- 11-04-2018 **Tesla reveals SEC subpoenas as Musk calls reports of deepening FBI probe 'absurd'**  
Federal securities regulators have issued subpoenas regarding Tesla's public assurances over the production of its newest car, the company said Friday, the latest signal of an increasingly aggressive investigation into Elon Musk's electric automaker. The notice, tucked inside a 141-page quarterly report Tesla filed with the... - [Washington Post](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Pittsburghers for Public Transit pushes for reduction in cash transit fares**  
Pittsburghers for Public Transit is stepping up its campaign to equalize fares for cash customers on the Port Authority system. On Thursday, the group launched an online video called "Make Our Fares Fair" and began a petition drive to collection signatures for... - [Pittsburgh Post-Gazette](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Turnpike project raises concerns**  
BREEZEWOOD — While a proposal to turn an abandoned section of the Pennsylvania Turnpike into a recreational destination — comprised of trailheads and tunnel art galleries, among other features — has garnered support from many, some expressed concerns about the project's... - [Altoona Mirror](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Amtran eases hiring criteria to lure applicants**  
Amtran this week slightly softened its criteria for hiring drivers and mechanics in response to a scarcity of applicants caused by the low unemployment rate. "It's the downside of a great economy," said General Manager Eric Wolf. All transit authorities are currently having trouble finding qualified... - [Altoona Mirror](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Pottstown Bypass project complete today**  
A key link between Berks County and King of Prussia and the Philadelphia suburbs is all but finished. After six years of construction, a \$74 million project to upgrade a 1.6-mile stretch of Route 422 in western Montgomery County faces a final inspection today.... - [Reading Eagle](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Maplewood wins PennDOT Paint the Plow contest**  
Crawford County competition also included Titusville and Cochranon high schools. Maplewood Junior/Senior High School has won the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation's Paint the Plow contest in Crawford County. School artists painted a plow blade with the school mascot, a tiger, and... - [Erie Times-News](#)
- 11-02-2018 **PennDOT faces uphill battle in fixing local landslides**  
The state Department of Transportation is fighting an uphill battle when it comes to local landslides, and there is seemingly no easy solution moving forward. The state Department of Transportation is fighting an uphill battle when it comes to local landslides, and there is seemingly no easy solution moving... - [Beaver County Times](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Montco commissioners discuss transportation, veterans affairs**  
NORRISTOWN — Veterans affairs, transportation and the upcoming election were topics of discussion at Thursday's Montgomery County Commissioners Meeting. First on the agenda for Thursday's meeting was a Veterans Affairs Veterans Day Recognition. During a short presentation, Sean Halbom, department head... - [Phoenixville News](#)



- 11-02-2018 **Transportation officials seek public opinions**  
Transportation officials awaited community members and their opinions on local transit in the third floor conference room of Trade and Transit II on Thursday afternoon. When the people didn't come, they went to the people. SEDA-Council of Governments, Lycoming County, Gannett Fleming and Delta... - [Williamsport Sun-Gazette](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Heffley raises concerns to PennDOT regarding Route 248 Bridge project**  
A local state representative has raised concerns over public safety and work delays relating to the replacement of the Route 248 bridge in Carbon County. State Rep. Doyle Heffley, R-Carbon, sent a letter to state Department of Transportation secretary Leslie Richards detailing his frustration with the... - [Lehighon Times News](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Ohio deer mating season cause nearly 2,000 crashes in October alone**  
During the fall mating season, vehicle-deer crashes killed one motorist and injured 95 others last month. For deer, it's the season of love. It's also the season of injury and death — for deer and motorists. As deer enter their fall mating season, some of the love-struck animals... - [Columbus Dispatch](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Peifer: Accounting skills applied to state**  
HAWLEY - PA State Representative Mike Peifer is serving his 12th year serving the 139th District, which currently includes much of southern and eastern Wayne County and northern Pike County. A Republican, Peifer is running for his 7th two-year term on the November 6th ballot.... - [Hawley News Eagle](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Marrero: Passenger train can revitalize area**  
HAWLEY - Orlando Marrero, a Hawley resident and lock smith, is running for Pennsylvania House of Representatives, 139th District. The Democrat states that his desire is to be able to "lift people up and give them hope" in terms of economic prosperity in what he sees as a neglected... - [Hawley News Eagle](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Here's what you need to know to vote in Tuesday's election**  
Tuesday is election day, your opportunity to exersize your right to vote. Here's some information to guide you in casting your ballot. Where do I vote? You must vote at the polling place where you are registered to vote. The Pennsylvania Department of State has an online search tool that can tell... - [Penn Live, Patriot-News](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Judge could force SEPTA to end ban on political ads**  
A federal judge may force SEPTA to scale back its effort to keep politically charged advertisements off its bus shelters and vehicles when he issues a decision in a free speech case later this month. U.S. District Judge Michael M. Baylson didn't say exactly how he'll... - [WHYY](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Uber wants to resume self-driving car tests on public roads**  
DETROIT (AP) — Nearly eight months after one of its autonomous test vehicles hit and killed an Arizona pedestrian, Uber wants to resume testing on public roads... - [AP](#)
- 11-02-2018 **Bieber buses rack up 200 parking tickets in New York, \$90K in fines after Port Authority eviction**  
The New York City Department of Transportation's decision Friday to grant Bieber Transportation Group a curbside bus stop permit in Midtown Manhattan comes less than three months after the city repeatedly fined the Kutztown-based bus company for dropping off and picking up passengers... - [Allentown Morning Call](#)



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