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ARIPPA PERIODIC MEDIA NEWS – 6-1-16

CFB, COAL REFUSE, ENERGY INDUSTRY

[Watershed study shows Laurel Run is in excellent shape](#) - Laurel Run is in excellent shape, a new study has found. “The overall stream water quality is good throughout its watershed,” said Gabby Zawacki, watershed outreach specialist with the Eastern Pennsylvania Coalition for Abandoned Mine Reclamation.

[Carbondale Twp. mine fire reclamation project ahead of schedule](#) - A multimillion-dollar project to extinguish long-burning underground fires is ahead of schedule, according to the contractor dousing them.

[Power plant operators to see rates plunge for their services](#) - Following its annual auction, PJM Interconnection announced that power plant operators will get about 39 percent less for generating capacity they promise to make available when needed beginning in 2019.

[“Pennsylvania’s Energy County”; Generation Already Here and Still Growing.....](#) - A recent article, “Cresson prison property transferred to redevelopment authority; land eyed for power plant” written by Jocelyn Brumbaugh and posted on May 5, 2016 at the Tribune-Democrat’s website spoke to the positive developments taking place in northeastern Cambria County. The efforts of our local officials to collaborate with an eye toward generating economic development are to be commended.

[Anti-coal campaign reaches milestone](#) - An effort to shut down coal-fired power plants reached a major milestone Tuesday, with 100,000 megawatts of coal electricity capacity having announced shutdown plans since 2010.

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY ISSUES: FEDERAL

[CLEAN POWER PLAN: Carbon planning under legal stay moves behind closed doors](#) - Across the country, state officials, power companies and environmental advocates are participating in closed-door meetings to discuss the future of the Clean Power Plan.

[EIA sees two decades of pain for US coal](#) - The US coal industry faces over two decades of contraction according to the US Energy Information Administration’s (EIA) Annual Energy Outlook 2016 (AEO2016) Early Release, as natural gas and renewables eat into its market share – even without the Clean Power Plan (CPP).

[Clinton Faces Tough Crowd in West Virginia Coal Country](#) - Hillary Clinton faced some angry voters Monday during a campaign swing through West Virginia, a state that overwhelmingly backed her eight years ago in her primary fight against then-Sen. Barack Obama.

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY ISSUES: STATE

[Was ousted Pa. Secretary John Quigley too green for Pa. politics? Or just 'impertinent'?](#) - In the current environment, being Secretary of Pennsylvania's Department of Environmental Protection is probably one of the hardest jobs in state government.

[Pa. DEP Secretary Quigley resigns state post in wake of email flap](#) - Pennsylvania Environmental Protection Secretary John Quigley resigned his post effective immediately Friday, after a brief meeting with Gov. Tom Wolf.