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1 – EPA grant to help Ouachita, cities review abandoned industrial sites, Monroe (La) News Star, 6/7/19
https://www.thenewsstar.com/story/news/local/2019/06/07/epa-grant-help-ouachita-cities-review-abandoned-industrial-sites/1384353001/
Assessments of over one dozen abandoned industrial and commercial sites in Ouachita Parish will be conducted using grant funding from the Environmental Protection Agency.

2 – Neighborhood worries as city removes radioactive material below their street, WWL, 6/7/19
https://www.wwltv.com/article/news/neighborhood-worries-as-city-removes-radioactive-material-below-their-street/289-4d6416e5-74d9-49e6-a4c1-2fad68cb35e8
Residents in the Gert Town neighborhood are expressing serious health concerns as crews block off a city street to dig up hazardous materials. The city is now working with state and federal environmental agencies and a maintenance contractor to get rid of the material.

3 – Miami residents turnout for asbestos cleanup meeting, Joplin (MO) Globe, 6/7/19
https://www.joplinglobe.com/news/local_news/miami-residents-turnout-for-asbestos-cleanup-meeting/article_23667021-9386-55bc-9e73-eb35d0077bad.html
Miami residents turned out Thursday night to hear how a federal agency plans to go about removing a significant amount of asbestos from their town and what steps are being taken to keep them safe from exposure to the known human carcinogen.

4 – Critical moment shows reason for Corps' flood control decisions. 'How much worse would that have been?', Tulsa World, 6/7/19
https://www.tulsaworld.com/news/local/critical-moment-shows-reason-for-corps-flood-control-decisions-how/article_ecbae002-ef89-5f79-9733-dac393e95d28.html
One day during Oklahoma's ongoing floods stands out as the most stressful moment for the man who has been the area's public face for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

5 – Texas' gas glut is so bad, drillers pump it down wells, E&E News, 6/10/19
https://www.eenews.net/energywire/2019/06/10/stories/1060511409
Texas drillers may have found a solution to the stubborn natural gas glut that's forced them to either burn it off into the air, or pay others to take it away.

6 – State developing new methane rules, E&E News, 6/10/19
https://www.eenews.net/energywire/2019/06/10/stories/1060534333
New Mexico environmental regulators say they will be reaching out to communities, environmental groups and industry to develop the state's first methane reduction regulations.

7 – Stay off Arkansas River, officials warn; levels drop, but water speed still perilous, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, 6/10/19
https://www.arkansasonline.com/news/2019/jun/10/stay-off-river-officials-warn-20190610/?news-arkansas
The Arkansas River has begun receding and conditions are improving, but the water is still dangerous and should be avoided, authorities said Sunday. Pine Bluff and Pendleton were still in major flood stage, but the water levels along the Arkansas River had dropped below flood stage in Van Buren, Ozark and Dardanelle.

8 – N.M. governor on interim storage plan: 'Economic malpractice', E&E News, 6/10/19
https://www.eenews.net/energywire/2019/06/10/stories/1060534725
New Mexico Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham voiced opposition Friday to a proposal for placing an interim storage site for commercial nuclear waste in her state.

9 – Wheeler targets 'worst-case' climate scenario, E&E News, 6/10/19
https://www.eenews.net/climatewire/2019/06/10/stories/1060533923
EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler says the use of an inappropriately pessimistic climate modeling tool is driving bad press around climate change, and he's pledged to halt its use.

10 – Staff worried before tests showed high lead levels, Albuquerque Journal, 6/8/19
https://www.abqjournal.com/1326030/staff-worried-before-tests-showed-high-lead-levels.html
When Molly Keyes, a teacher at Bellehaven Elementary School, was given her first tour of the school, the principal at that time made it a point to warn her about the water.

11 – State seeks input on spending money from Volkswagen lawsuit, Albuquerque Journal, 6/10/19
https://www.abqjournal.com/1326271/state-seeks-input-on-spending-money-from-volkswagen-lawsuit.html
A Clean Air Act violation by Volkswagen and the resulting federal settlement means millions of dollars for electric vehicles and charging stations in New Mexico.

12 – EPA curbs state power to deny permits for climate concerns, E&E News, 6/8/19
https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/2019/06/07/stories/1060510579
EPA says it can issue federal permits for projects, including pipelines, regardless of whether states raise questions about impacts to climate change or air pollution.

13 – EPA will drill into Colorado mine for cleanup investigation, Albuquerque Journal, 6/8/19
https://www.abqjournal.com/1325660/epa-will-drill-into-colorado-mine-for-cleanup-investigation.html
The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency plans to drill a test well into an inactive mine tunnel in southwestern Colorado to get information for a Superfund cleanup, the agency said Friday.