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Dear DEP Environmental Quality Board,

I am writing to comment on the proposed new Chapter 95 regulations.

Safe drinking water is important to all of us...we can not live without clean drinking water!! DEP's proposal helps ensure that our water supplies will not have unsafe levels of total dissolved solids. These proposed new TDS standards should not be weakened and these regulations should go into effect as soon as possible to protect our rivers, streams, and drinking water supplies. Issuance of drilling permits should cease until these wastewater regulations are in place. Existing or proposed wastewater plants must not be allowed to pollute our streams. DEP must regulate aspects of Marcellus generated wastewater...from "cradle to grave" as it has been stated in several meetings I have attended. This record of responsibility must track the quantity of frackwater being produced and transported with signed receipts for each transfer and delivery. The reuse of Marcellus wastewater appears to be a good idea, however there must be strict oversight by DEP to ensure that this is done properly. Discharge standards for those contaminants often found in Marcellus wastewater, (bromides, arsenic, benzene, radium, magnesium, and others), need to be added to these regulations.

Thank you.

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