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We are currently attempting to resolve acid mine drainage in several counties in western Pennsylvania with low to moderate success. Funding is a problem and I believe that an ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure. I therefore believe DEP should strengthen their regulations on the Marcellus Shale drilling wastewater and fracking fluids. I believe the Marcellus Shale drilling can be a boom too Pennsylvania but should not be done at the expense of our rivers, streams and drinking water. DEP should have all the regulations and monitoring in place prior to issuing permits. Please do not leave us as exposed as in the past where our grandchildren will need to clean up our mess.

Thanks

George Schmader  
Forests, The key to our future.

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