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To: EP, RegComments
Cc: Daily News Views
Subject: Environmental Quality Board - Ban FRAC Drilling!



Environmental Quality Board
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Harrisburg, PA 17105

(Express mail: Rachel Carson State Office Building, 16th Floor, 400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA 17105-2301)

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Re: 25 PA Code Ch. 95 Wastewater Treatment Requirements and

PA CONSTITUTION ARTICLES DECLARATION OF RIGHTS

Natural Resources and the Public Estate

Section 27.

The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people.

Dear Environmental Quality Board Members,

I support action by PADEP to protect our streams, rivers and water supply from high-TDS discharges, especially from the burgeoning flow of gas drilling wastewater. The proposed standards for TDS, sulfate and chloride are a first step that must not be weakened. However, these standards do not go far enough and additional protective measures need to be taken by PADEP now to prevent further degradation of the State's waterways and water resources.

I urge DEP and the Environmental Quality Board to ban FRAC drilling until the Gas Drillers can prove that they have found a way to do it without violating our PA Constitutionally protected right to pure water. I'm making this petition in support of the right of the Citizens of PA to pure water as the Gas Drillers have thus far abrogated the right to pure water with the aid of the current Commonwealth Administration to over 382,000 Western Pennsylvanians thus far!

If you too are concerned, you can submit comments to RegComments@state.pa.us.

Sincerely,

Jasper Jones