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Adopt Ch 78/78a Oil and Gas Regulations

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Please support the swift adoption and implementation of the regulations for both conventional and unconventional operators.

For too long, oil and gas operators in Pennsylvania have conducted their activities under outdated regulations and with virtual impunity—factors that have helped spur ever-growing impacts on water, air, and health

The final draft Chapter 78 and 78a regulations released by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP or the Department) represent a significant step forward in aligning the state's oil and gas regulations with new technologies and modern-day practices used at both conventional and unconventional well sites. They also offer better protections for the environment and health from industry practices, like the use of open pits to store toxic fracking wastewater.

Failure to adopt these updated regulations would only result in countless environmental problems continuing to remain unchecked and increasing the environmental, health, and financial burdens borne by the public.

Please help Pennsylvania get the improved protections we need from dangerous fracking operations by supporting the swift adoption and implementation of regulations for both conventional and unconventional operators.

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