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Preparing for the DRBC Hearing

The DRBC will be holding public hearings on January 23-24, February 22 and March 6, 2018 for public input on the draft regulations proposed on November 30th to implement a permanent moratorium on the energy exploration within the basin. **We need your voice.**

The following link will take you to the announcement of the DRBC hearings:

http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/home/newsroom/news/approved/20180108_newsrel_hydraulic-fracturing2.html

The following link will give you the full proposed resolution of the DRBC:

http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/library/documents/Res_EstuaryAquaticLifeUses_draft022317.pdf

The following link will give you the full details of the procedures of the DRBC hearing(s):

http://www.state.nj.us/drbc/library/documents/procedures_public-hearings050317.pdf

This issue goes to the core of not only property owner's rights, but **your** rights as a citizen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The issue before us is a fundamental infringement of those rights by an intrusive intergovernmental entity, whose own jurisdiction in this matter does not supersede the laws of Pennsylvania.

In your statement(s) and/or letters addressing the issue to the DRBC, these **critical points** should be emphasized.

1. **The DRBC and SRBC are both controlled by the same governing majority** (Pennsylvania, New York and the US Government through the US Army Corps of Engineers/USACE).
2. Given their SRBC experience, DRBC members know very well both rivers are significant sources of drinking water, both basins include exceptional quality waters and, **in the words of the SRBC, 'there is no discernable impact of hydraulic fracking on the waters of the Susquehanna River basin after a decade of permitting'**. It is the strongest they have in their

possession and, yet the DRBC omits any mention of such in their explanation of reasons why they are pursuing a total ban on fracking.

3. **The DRBC's proposed ban, therefore, deprives citizens of their equal rights** and renders them second-class citizens, which is a **fundamental breach of equal protection under the law** or anyone's definition of plain old fairness.

Sample comments to the DRBC Public Comments make it effortless to make your voice heard. CHOOSE A SAMPLE COMMENT AT https://www.udrbc.org/hearing_comments_index.php Mar 30, 2018 is the deadline for sending your comments!

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