

PETITIONS AND SIGN-ON LETTERS

Submitted as Comments on DRBC's Proposed Natural Gas Development Regulations

*Pages displaying the statements to which commenters signed their names are attached.**

<u>Organization (in alpha order)</u>	<u>Signature Count</u>
Audubon Society	1,465 **
change.org	1,532
Democracy for America	10,854
Food & Water Watch	31
Marcellus Shale Protest Project (Academy of Notre Dame de Namur)	82
National Wildlife Federation	2,956
PA Assn. of Staff Nurses & Allied Professionals (PASNAP)	54
PennEnvironment	
<i>Signature Version</i>	1,939
<i>Email Version</i>	7
TOTAL	1,946
"Residents and Citizens of Delaware River Basin"	36
Various (included in Access Database; samples not provided here)***	600
TOTAL	19,556

*In some instances, as for the Democracy in America submission, signatories also wrote short individual statements. These are available for inspection at the Commission's offices.

**The National Audubon Society submitted letters signed by 1,479 individuals. The vast majority signed the sample letter attached. Distinct letters submitted by National Audubon Society supporters are available for inspection at the Commission's offices.

*** The majority of these comprise comments signed by two private individuals with no stated organizational affiliation.

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Dear Commission Secretary:

Please find enclosed two CDs (identical copies) containing a Microsoft Excel file (.xls format) containing 1,479 comments of National Audubon Society supporters about on the draft natural gas development regulations proposed by the Delaware River Basin Commission. We ask that you withhold the personal addresses of our supporters from the public record.

Many people submitted personalized comments, which you will find in the "Personalized Comments" tab of the spreadsheet, but most, found on the "Unedited Comments" tab, signed on to the comments below:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the following letter in support of the detailed comments provided by the National Audubon Society regarding the DRBC's proposed Natural Gas Development Regulations.

As I am deeply concerned with the impacts increased natural gas development could have on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats in the region, I agree with Audubon that sensitive areas and priority conservation sites must be avoided in the siting of well pads and associated infrastructure. I support the Commission's proposal to exclude wellpads from flood hazard areas, wetlands, steep slopes, and critical habitat areas for threatened and endangered (T&E) species, as well as establishing defined setbacks from wetlands, water bodies, and other features, creating important protective buffer zones.

However, the DRBC should clarify that state and federal agencies are in charge of T&E species mitigation decisions. Also, the requirements to map Natural Heritage Program areas in the Natural Gas Development Plan should be expanded to include Conservation Opportunity Areas (or other designations of State Wildlife Action Plans) as well as areas of concern to federal authorities.

Developers should be required to avoid these areas. In addition, exploratory wells should be required to meet the same siting standards applied to other projects and not be approved under the Approval By Rule (ABR) permitting process.

I commend the Commission for prohibiting the storage of production and flowback fluids in open containment pits, and for requiring production waters to be reused or taken off site for proper treatment at facilities that are equipped and properly regulated to treat these toxic waste waters. Lastly, I urge the DRBC to re-examine the adequacy of its regulations again at the time of the completion of EPA's Hydraulic Fracturing Study and to incorporate additional safeguards as suggested by the study findings. The regulations now being finalized by DRBC should include language stipulating that regulation adequacy will be revisited post-release of EPA's study, and adjustments made accordingly.

Thank you for consideration of these comments.

If you have any questions about the comments, or prefer to receive them in a different format, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached via e-mail at lpomper@audubon.org or by telephone at (202) 861-2242 ext. 3022.

Please accept our thanks for your agency's collaboration in ensuring that the voices of these concerned individuals are heard.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth H. Pomper Director of Online Outreach

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To: Delaware River Basin Commission

Subject: **Re: Natural Gas Development Regulations – DRAFT**

Letter: Greetings, ,

The DRBC is charged with a legal mandate to "Do No Harm" to the Special Protection Waters of the Delaware River. You are required to maintain the exceptional water quality that now exists in the River and improve it where it needs help; 15 million people who get their drinking water from the Delaware River are relying on you. These draft rules fall far short of meeting that high bar. The draft rules simply do not overcome the handicap caused by rushing the rules forward without needed scientific studies. The rules do not protect from the risk of catastrophic harm from individual wells nor do they address the cumulative impacts of water withdrawal and well development; there is no method proposed to control the accumulated environmental toll that natural gas drilling, land transformation, and water depletion and pollution will take on habitats, streams, communities and the River.

I am concerned about my drinking water, the Wild and Scenic Delaware, and the future of the Watershed. Some of my specific concerns about the draft rules are:

No limits on how many wells can be drilled and how closely they can be spaced from each other; this means the drillers are in control of how intensely the Watershed is developed (they are serving their bottom line), not the DRBC (who is charged with protecting water resources).

Much gas well development will occur without the planning you require for more than 5 well pads or companies who have leaseholdings of 3200 acres or more. At 10-12 wells per pad, 50 to 60 gas wells can be drilled without any plan oversight and variances, exemptions and limited expansions could make matters worse. Even where natural gas development plans are required, it is not clear how the planning will limit adverse environmental impacts nor is it clear how cumulative analyses can be made from these plans to avoid large scale degradation.

You do not restrict the dangerous chemicals that will be used in drilling and hydraulic fracturing. You require operators to tell you what they are using on site and to do some sampling, but you do not guarantee public disclosure of all of the chemicals they will use and you do not propose to remove all of these chemicals in wastewater treatment. Some carcinogens you are not even testing for. You should consult TEDX at <http://www.endocrinedisruption.com/chemicals.multistate.php>
You propose to protect flood hazard areas BUT you allow variances so that only floodways, the stream area that carries the bulk of floodwater, are clearly off limits.

You acquiesce to the States in many crucial areas that fatally flaw this rulemaking. These include:
stormwater management (PA and federal government largely exempts gas well development);
stream protection (PA exempts gas drilling from Exceptional Value and High Quality stream buffer standards—the best of the best streams in PA); drilling, cementing and well construction (PA's Chapter 78 is largely substandard in safety); air quality (PA exempts gas wells from air pollution standards); setbacks from homes, public buildings, roads, and public and private water supply wells are all deferred to state standards (PA and NY have minimal, inadequate setback standards); DRBC and the States measure setbacks from the well pad, not the horizontal well bore (where pollution can occur); centralized wastewater impoundments are allowed and left to state regulations despite your finding that open waste pits on well sites are too dangerous and require closed tank systems to capture all flowback.

Approval by Rule will allow fast track approval of gas drilling and some water

Approval by Rule will allow fast track approval of gas drilling and some water withdrawals, with no opportunity for public comment and input. Why does DRBC want to allow a rush to drill when less oversight has led to pollution and accidents throughout the Marcellus shale fairway (PA 2010 violations=2,486; wells drilled in 2010=2,755)?

We need more time to participate in the rulemaking process. DRBC needs to extend the public comment period by at least another 120 days and hold Hearings in New York City, Philadelphia, and more Hearings close to where people live in PA. We care deeply about our future and the health of the Delaware River. Please let us take part in this historic rulemaking that will shape the future of our River and Watershed by expanding the public comment opportunities.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this crucial rulemaking. I ask that, after the rulemaking closes, you hold the rules in abeyance until the scientific studies are done so that information can inform regulations that will prevent pollution and avoid degradation. Aquifer and water resource pollution and depletion lasts hundreds of years and cannot ever be fully cleaned up.

Doesn't it make sense to take a little time to make the right decisions now, before rushing ahead?

Signed By:

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Dear DRBC, Put the Fracking Brakes on!

To the Delaware River Basin Commission:

It is your responsibility to protect the Delaware River Basin, which provides drinking water to 15 million people from the states of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Delaware. We are deeply concerned that the practice of hydraulic fracturing, or hydrofracking, is jeopardizing the health of the people who depend on the Delaware River for their water supply.

Oil and gas companies care more about their bottom line than the health of the people who are affected by hydrofracking. It is up to you to ensure that toxic chemicals and radioactive materials do not end up in our drinking water.

Please extend the moratorium in the Delaware River Basin until further national cumulative environmental impact studies are done. It's time to put the brakes on and proceed with caution - too much is at stake.

Sincerely,
The Citizens of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Delaware

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Don't Frack the Delaware

I support a ban on hydraulic fracturing in the Delaware River Basin. There is extensive research documenting potential dangers that the process poses to water, which are detailed in Food & Water Watch's report, Not So Fast, Natural Gas: Why Accelerating Risky Drilling Threatens America's Water and recently in the New York Times investigative report of February 27, 2011. I am very concerned that the DRBC is moving forward with regulations rather than prohibiting drilling. These proposed regulations are not strong enough to protect the public from the impacts of gas drilling. I urge the commission not to move forward with implementing regulations on gas drilling without adequate scientific review and input from the public, and I encourage the commission to pass a ban on fracking in the Delaware River Basin.

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Marcellus Shale Protest Project

Branching out from the Marcellus Shale Protest Organization, current student of the Academy of Notre Dame de Namur class of 2012, Courtney D. Mangano is filing this petition, this 9th - 14th day of April in 2011 regarding the issue of the fracking of the Marcellus Shale. The issue of fracking is important and will affect you because our drinking water will be contaminated with gas and chemicals making it unsafe to drink, many ecosystems will be damaged, harmed, or even destroyed, our air quality will decrease, there will be a decrease in property values, traffic will increase, and there will be accidental spills and even deliberate dumping which will further contaminate our water. Because of the actions of the Marcellus Shale Coalition this issue continues to plague our community.

As a member of the community, I demand that the Marcellus Shale Coalition stop this activity immediately in the interest of the citizens living in the Marcellus Shale region.

Print Name	City	Signature
Courtney Mangano	Lansdale	
Kelsey MANGANO	LANSDALE	
Renee Mangano	Lansdale	
Jim Mangano	LANSDALE	
Andrew WALSH	Malvern	
Terry Walsh	Malvern	
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James Mangano	Lansdale	
George Malieto	Wayne	
Kerry Little	Audubon	
Bob Little	Audubon	
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Kelly Cristino	Drexel Hill	
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Tina Curten	Trappe	
Joan Osen	Chesnut Hill	

By signing this petition to stop the fracking of the Marcellus Shale you are adding to the strong efforts to stop this heinous activity.

Dear Delaware River Basin Commission,

Hydraulic fracturing, or "fracking", for natural gas could threaten to irreversibly damage the water quality, wild places, and communities of the Delaware River Basin.

Before the proposed regulations move forward, a cumulative environmental impact study should be conducted to determine the drilling's potential impact on wildlife and human health. With this comprehensive watershed information, strong rules can then be put in place to safeguard important habitats, protect air and water quality, and require public disclosure of the fracking chemicals.

The Delaware River Basin's natural resources are a vital and irreplaceable part of our heritage. Before drilling can safely go forward in the watershed, we need to make sure our natural resources and waters are protected.

Sincerely,

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Pennsylvania Association of Staff Nurses & Allied Professionals

April 12, 2011

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Commission Secretary, DRBC
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Dear Director Collier and Commissioners,

We the undersigned elected leadership of PASNAP, strongly encourage you to continue a moratorium on deep gas hydrofracking in the Delaware River Basin until the EPA can complete a Cumulative Impact Study of the life cycle effect of such drilling on the watershed.

As health professionals, we are acutely aware of the dangers such drilling poses to public health, in the long and short run. The evidence already compiled in Pennsylvania, as well as in the western states where this technique has been in use for some time point to serious acute and chronic impacts on health, include respiratory illness, endocrine disruption, and CNS damage. This is unsurprising given the chemicals used in the process and the inability or failure of the industry to segregate them from our air, soil, and water.

The importance and history of the Delaware, the nature of our watershed, and our current population and land use patterns give this technology potentially a much greater impact in our region than it has had in the western United States.

The first rule of a health practitioner is "do no harm", often referred to as the precautionary principle. This must guide you here. This drilling is unnecessary for our economic security, and should not be allowed to proceed unless it is proven that it can be done safely, without long term impact to our water and environment generally.

Sincerely,

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Don't Drill the Delaware Petition

Dear Delaware River Basin Commission,

The Delaware River is an incredibly important natural resource that supplies drinking water to more than 15 million people in the region. I am concerned to hear that the DRBC is proposing to open the Delaware River Basin to dangerous Marcellus Shale gas drilling.

The DRBC has the power to protect this critical drinking water source and the Commission's proposed regulations do not go far enough to ensure this.

Given the dangers of gas drilling, I am calling on DRBC to implement regulations that guarantee no drilling takes place anywhere near this critical water body.

Sincerely,

Volunteer?	NAME (required)	ADDRESS (required)	CITY (required)	ZIP (required)	PHONE	EMAIL
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PLEASE SEND FILLED OUT COMMENTS TO THE ATTENTION OF ADAM GARBER AT 1420 WALNUT STREET, SUITE 650, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102. DUE BY APRIL 10TH.



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Delaware River or 'Drill-a-whenever-you-want' River?

The Delaware River is a drinking water source for more than 15 million people and an invaluable natural wonder for the region. Yet this majestic waterway could soon be opened up to dangerous Marcellus Shale gas drilling – and all of the toxic chemicals and pollution that comes with it.

Over the next month, the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) is holding a public comment period to get input from concerned citizens on this proposal. We need to show them that people all over Pennsylvania expect them to protect the Delaware River. **Fill out the form today to tell the DRBC to protect the Delaware River from gas drilling.**

Message

Don't Drill the Delaware

Dear Delaware River Basin Commission,

The Delaware River is an incredibly important natural resource that supplies drinking water to more than 15 million people in the region. So I was concerned to hear that the DRBC is proposing to open the Delaware River Basin to dangerous Marcellus Shale gas drilling.

• Please personalize your message

The DRBC has the power to protect this critical drinking water source and the Commission's proposed regulations do not go far enough to ensure this.

The proposed rules would not restrict the chemicals that gas drilling companies are allowed to use to drill the wells, which is dangerous considering the toxicity of these chemicals. The rules would also allow gas drillers to use open air pits for storing hazardous drilling wastewater and solid wastes, risking spills and leaks, as has already happened elsewhere in Pennsylvania. Additionally, the rules would not address all the impacts of gas drilling near the river, and how drilling would affect drinking water downstream, as well as wildlife habitat.

Given the dangers of gas drilling, I am calling on DRBC to implement regulations that guarantee no drilling takes place anywhere near this critical water body.

Please help us keep clean water!

Sincerely,
 [Your Name]
 [Your Address]
 [City, State ZIP]

Contact

• Required fields

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• First Name:

• Last Name:

• Your Email:

• Address 1:

Address 2:

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Remember me.

If you take action and have not already registered, you will receive periodic updates and communications.

Petition To:

Paula Schmitt, Commission Secretary
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Subject: Fracking and the Delaware River Basin

We, the undersigned, as residents and citizens of states in the Delaware River Basin, hereby petition the DRBC, the governors of our states and all state officials charged with protection of the environment and its assets, to ensure that the waters of the DRB remain clean and protected against the detrimental, toxic and perilous effects of "fracking" carried out by gas and oil companies to extract natural gas from the Marcellus Shale.

There is widespread evidence supporting the connection between fracking and ground water pollution which makes drilling in the Delaware River Basin an immediate and dangerous health concern for the people of New York City and Philadelphia, and all those in between, who depend on the river as their main source of drinking water.

Fracking introduces highly toxic chemicals such as benzene, and radioactive elements such as radium to the drinking water supply

The current draft rules adopted by the DRBC place no restrictions on the chemicals drillers that are permitted during the fracking process, nor do they outline fracking wastewater standards - that needs to change.

The DRBC was commissioned with a legal mandate to "Do No Harm" to the protected waters of the Delaware River Basin. It is a dereliction of duty for the DRBC to allow a process as toxic as fracking to take place in a protected watershed that they are commissioned to protect.

It is imperative and of the utmost importance that the DRBC adopt strict regulations against the disastrous effects that may result as a consequence of fracking.

Our children and the future of our communities depend on clean drinking water. We respectfully urge you to responsibly carry out your duties in this most important matter of public health.

Signature

Printed Name

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