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To whom it may concern:

Issue:

Fracking fluid tested by U.S. Forest Service found fracking fluid had caused “...severe damage and mortality of ground vegetation was observed...”

Details:

“In June 2008, 303,000 L of hydrofracturing fluid from a natural gas well were applied to a 0.20-ha area of mixed hardwood forest on the Fernow Experimental Forest, West Virginia. During application, severe damage and mortality of ground vegetation was observed, followed about 10 days later by premature leaf drop by the overstory trees. Two years after fluid application, 56% of the trees within the fluid application area were dead.”

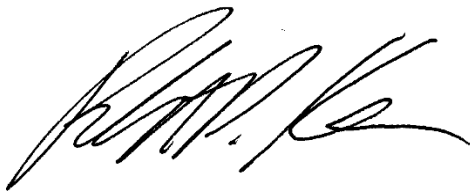
The full article can be found here:

<https://www.agronomy.org/publications/jeq/abstracts/40/4/1340>

Recommendation:

Fracking fluid is too toxic for discharge into our waterways.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Krause', written in a cursive style.