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Ban fracking, ban frack wastewater, and ban exports for fracking since they all negatively affect water availability, the control and abatement of water pollution, economic development, the conservation and protection of drinking water supplies, the conservation and protection of aquatic life, the conservation and protection of water quality in Special Protection Waters, and the protection, maintenance, and improvement of water quantity and quality basinwide.

After exhaustive study, the State of New York prohibited fracking based on environmental and public health analysis. The NY Department of Health concluded that the overall weight of the evidence demonstrated the likelihood that adverse health outcomes and environmental impacts from fracking could not be prevented, leading to the Governor's decision to ban high volume hydraulic fracturing in the state.¹ The State of Maryland permanently banned fracking after 2 years of study, based on the potential for adverse public health and environmental impacts.²

http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/materials_minerals_pdf/findingstatehvhf62015.pdf

http://www.health.ny.gov/press/reports/docs/high_volume_hydraulic_fracturing.pdf

<http://thinkprogress.org/climate/2015/05/29/3664098/larry-hogan-maryland-fracking-ban/> 2 • The natural gas industry has received unprecedented exemptions from our nation's most important environmental and public health laws, including the Safe Drinking Water Act, Clean Air Act, and the Clean Water Act.³

The most recent statistical analysis of the body of scientific literature by the Concerned Health Professionals of New York and Physicians for Social Responsibility, 685 peer-reviewed papers examining gas drilling and/or hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") were reviewed and the overwhelming majority of studies found evidence of or potential adverse impacts on water, air, and human health. 5 • Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) has determined that there are 301 cases of private water well contamination caused by oil and gas operations in the Commonwealth⁶; over 4,400 water complaints related to oil and gas have been filed by the public with PADEP. Between 2004 and 11.2016, PADEP lists 9,443 public complaints about environmental problems in shale gas drilling areas.⁷