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The Susquehanna River Basin has been producing natural gas via fracking for a decade now. The residents of the Delaware River Basin should be allowed the same opportunity. Here is why:

The governing majority of the DRBC (PA, NY and USACE ) is the same governing majority of the SRBC so they are fully aware that fracking is of no threat to water quality, based on evidence already in the possession of DRBC decision-makers.

Given the SRBC data from its ongoing water quality monitoring programs and the DRBC knowledge of that data, any decision to ban fracking in the DRBC region is purely political and without scientific foundation.

A complete ban is unjust and unfair, a complete denial of equal rights to the DRB landowners and residents seeking like economic opportunity.

A complete ban deprives Pennsylvanians and others of their rights and renders them second-class citizens, which is a fundamental breach of equal protection under the law. It is plain and simply unconstitutional.

The DRBC has chosen to favor ideological and political reasons to prevent what is happening successfully in the SRB from happening in the DRB. By not allowing the landowners to harvest what is rightfully theirs, the DRBC is planning to harvest the property rights and eventually the land in a massive power grab, another Tock's Island is in the making.

The lawsuit by the Wayne Land and Mineral Group highlights the overreach already in progress by the DRBC into land use issues. What will be next?