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While limitations on fracking is to be applauded, the fact is that any fracking results in pollution and a degradation of the water quality. The mission is to protect the quality of water - to protect the Delaware River Basin. The chemicals used, some toxic, will affect all uses of the waterway.

In addition, injecting high pressure water and sand into the land causes damage to wells supported by the Delaware River Basin. Many of these become unusable after fracking.

Accordingly, the DRBC must ban all fracking that can affect, directly or indirectly, the Delaware River Basin. Our waterways have recovered from the worst of pollution, but we can't take a step back here.