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The Delaware River Basin MUST remain a fracking-free zone. This means no fracking, and no disposal of fracking waste. The Delaware River was declared a national Wild and Scenic River by Congress because of its outstanding features. New York State has already banned fracking, because of its devastating environmental effects. The Delaware River provides drinking water to 15 - 17 million people, who would be poisoned by the waste generated by fracking. Agricultural and recreational use of the river could be devastated by the all too common spills that accompany fracking projects, and we are still unaware of the effects of fracking on groundwater and watersheds. Clean drinking water is too important a resource to be jeopardized by the pursuit of energy that we must wean ourselves off of for the good of the planet and our own well being. Fracking in the Delaware River watershed is too grave a risk.