

1 and unaltered environmental resources.

2 In the Delaware River
3 Basin alone, we have a thriving
4 recreational economy that represents
5 hundreds of jobs and over \$70 million
6 annually. Fishing alone accounts for
7 \$1 to \$3 million of the economic
8 benefits in the region.

9 We literally cannot
10 afford to allow fracking to jeopardize
11 the clean water that drives economic
12 activity, including tourism,
13 manufacturing, agriculture and small
14 businesses. The harms from fracking
15 are simply too great to allow in the
16 Delaware River Watershed. The DRBC
17 has both the authority and the duty to
18 protect the Delaware River from the
19 harms of fracking.

20 Penn Future urges the
21 DRBC to be the steward of the Delaware
22 and approve the proposed ban on
23 fracking. Thank you.

24 HEARING OFFICER:

25 Thank you, ma'am. Ms.

1 Moorehead? And you have two minutes
2 as do the remainder.

3 MS. MOOREHEAD:

4 Madeline Moorehead. I'm
5 from DCS ---.

6 HEARING OFFICER:

7 Could you try to speak
8 louder, please?

9 MS. MOOREHEAD:

10 Sorry. To ban fracking
11 in the Delaware River, would have the
12 conclusion to ban fracked toxic waste
13 disposal and copious water withdrawal
14 provided for fracking, at other
15 locations. The direct conflict of the
16 DRBC stated mandate to protect all
17 river resources.

18 In addition, there is no
19 mention of pipeline expansion. It
20 appears as though it might let
21 potential leakage and toxic radiated
22 contamination to the equation. To
23 oppose a partial recognition of
24 responsibility on the present and
25 future health of the Delaware River

1 leads to a dysgenic foundation for
2 groundwater, aquafer, and water supply
3 to 17 million people who rely on this
4 essential water source for their very
5 survival.

6 By not including and
7 defining all aspects of the true
8 definitive fracking process within the
9 fracking ban resolution, including
10 toxic radiated grime waste and fluids
11 leaking and migrating injection wells,
12 the dumping into substandard waste
13 disposal sites, pipeline transport,
14 and water withdrawal for fracking
15 operations elsewhere, DRBC puts in
16 direct jeopardy of risk the stated
17 goal of the ban itself.

18 Each of these operations
19 are part and parcel of the critical
20 components of the fracking process.
21 To ignore that obvious fact points to
22 a dismissal of awareness and a
23 fragmentation recognizing the gravity
24 of the complete fracking process.

25 Consequently, by not

1 thoroughly following through on every
2 premise of the ban, the ban itself is
3 a hollow vacating attempt to create an
4 appearance of compliance regarding the
5 protection of the water and lacks
6 intelligent insight as to the
7 direction that that this regulation
8 --- regulation ban should demonstrate.

9 Clear meaning is lost
10 without a full recognition of more
11 than one single component of the
12 fracking process itself.

13 Simplistically speaking, if fracking
14 is banned yet toxic wastewater,
15 dumping, and storage coming from other
16 fracked fields are permitted water
17 withdrawal for fracking elsewhere and
18 the pipelines near the Delaware River
19 are yet still permitted, then fracking
20 impacts results regardless of an open
21 ban ---.

22 HEARING OFFICER:

23 Quiet, please. You're
24 stopped, please.

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