

## Public Comment DRBC January 2018

Fracking has been taking place in the SRB for a decade. If fracking turns land into moonscapes and causes widespread ruination of water supplies as the anti-fossil fuel so-called environmentalist hypocrites would have us believe, then why is the SRB booming? Property values in PA's most heavily drilled counties, Bradford and Washington, saw median house values increase between 60-70% from 2000-2013. The Wall Street Journal recently published an infographic from Moody's Investor Service, which shows that eight out of nine states that had the highest percentage of growth in property value, are in major oil and gas producing states. Seven of those states are shale states using fracking. I have attached the graphic.

Three of you, a majority, sit on the SRBC and know full well that both rivers are significant sources of drinking water, both basins include exceptional quality water, and that the SRBC's monitoring programs have not detected discernible impacts on the quality of the Basin's water resources as a result of natural gas development. If you are a landowner in Susquehanna River Basin, you are experiencing prosperity and in the Delaware River Basin, you are experiencing poverty.

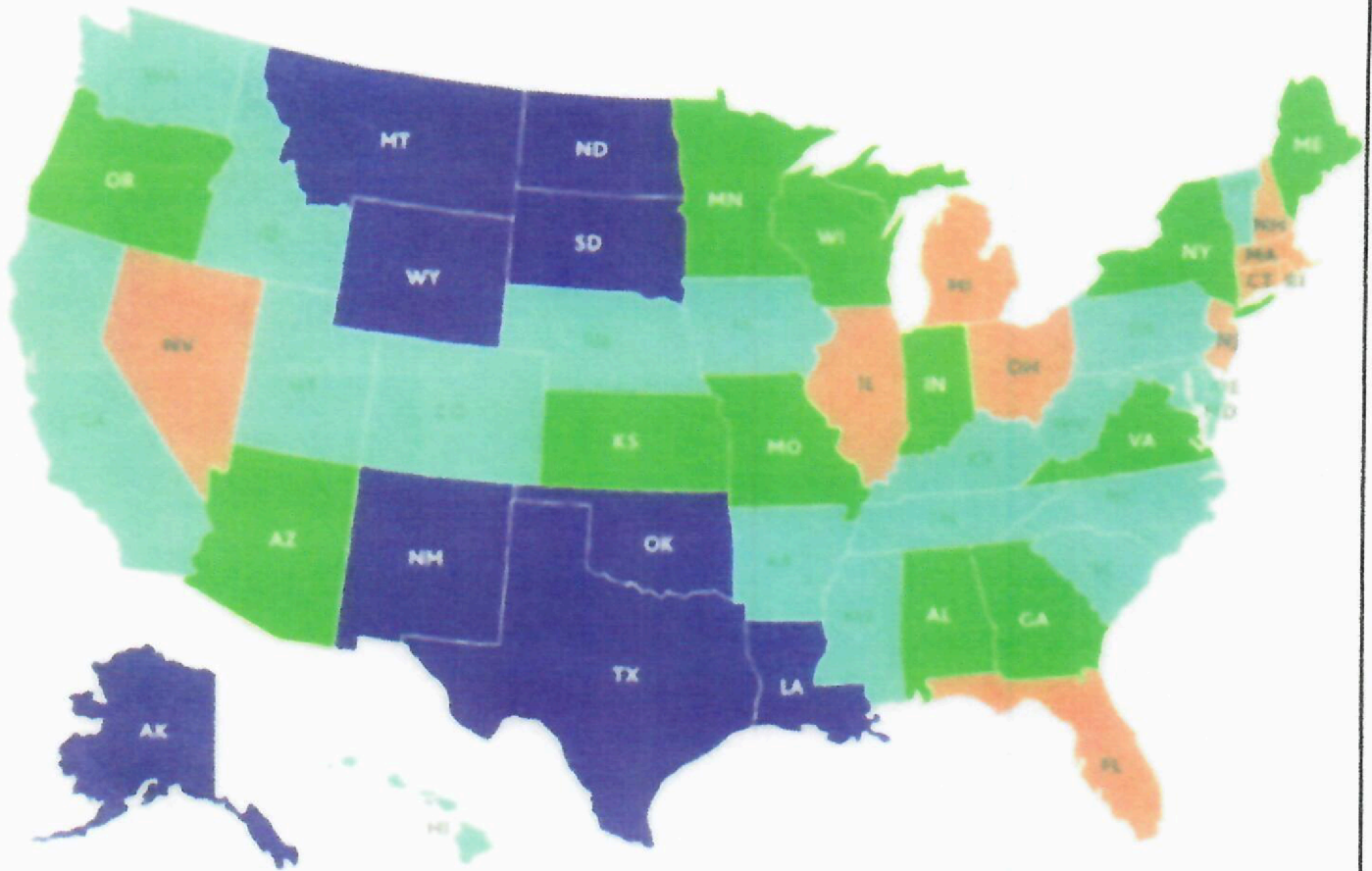
Who gave Tom Wolf and Andrew Cuomo the right to choose prosperity for some and poverty for others? What is the rationale they use to vote one way in one basin and the opposite in another? Why do they treat the lives of those of us in the DRB with a different standard? It's not fair and it's not right. We are being discriminated against and not allowed equal rights. Why is opportunity afforded or denied based on which side of a mountain water descends?



Property values in most areas exceed pre-downturn values but regional recoveries vary  
Per-state median of rated issuers' 10-year property value trend (2007-16\*)

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■ - 0%   ■ 0-20%   ■ 21-40%   ■ over 40%



\*Based on available data  
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