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I have studied your proposed ban for years, it is obvious that the DRBC has become politized. The contradictions between decisions made concerning the SRBC and the DRBC illustrate the influence of special interests over decision making by agency members. The science is being ignored.

I strongly oppose any permanent ban on natural gas development and hydraulic fracking. The word permanent itself should never be used in implementing legislation of this type unless it has been proved that the actions being regulated are proven to be catastrophic to society. The words permanent ban should never be used nor should the words permanent approval should not be used when drafting this type of legislation. Energy development and independence is critical to our country.