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I feel I'm privileged to live close to the Delaware River here in Lawrenceville, and see its beauty. I've seen it further upstream and it's just glorious. It has been named a Wild and Scenic River, and is used extensively for recreation. Its clear and pure water is full of fish and also supports other wildlife. It is THE source of drinking water for 17 million people.

The DRBC was persuaded to enact a moratorium on fracking in 2011. Now, it is proposing rules banning fracking in the Valley. These grossly inadequate, incomplete rules allow wastewater produced by fracking to be stored, treated, and discharged within the Delaware River Basin and would allow water from the Watershed to be exported to fuel fracking elsewhere.

The charge of the DRBC is to protect the Basin. For all of the above reasons, the Commission must address this threat. The idea that this essential resource is being used for private purposes is deeply disturbing. Surely you can see that.

Please, for the sake of everyone who uses this River, enact a full ban on all fracking activity. We are looking to you to protect us, and our grandchildren and future generations. Thank you.