

## Joe Birbeck

I am writing to express my opposition to hydraulic fracking and all related activities in the area surrounding the Delaware River Basin. Such activity puts our drinking water at risk. It is also a risk to all wildlife that depends on the river including fish. Any contamination of the river would take years to remedy. The economic impact on all communities downstream would be devastating. We in Bucks County depend on the river not only for drinking water but for recreation, sport, and industry. Everything from bottling companies to shale festivals could be impacted. Any benefit this activity may give to the few would be at the risk of the many. I plead that hydraulic fracking and all related activities from withdrawing water from the basin to disposing waste water into it not be permitted.