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Please ban all fracking and fracking related activity to the watershed within the DRBC purview. Fracking has long range implications for generations to come as clean water is quickly becoming a more valuable resource than oil or gas. While fracking has become safer it is not safe or why would the industry need the Halliburton loop hole for protection. In addition the safety claimed by industry does not test for all the compounds used in the fracking process. Actually the EPA in PA tests for only 14 compounds if absent the water can be declared safe but will leave us all vulnerable to long term health issues. It makes all the sense in the world, except to the few who will make millions, to proceed with great caution.

Another issue compounding the safety issue is the need to use water and then to store contaminated fracking wastewater. Both would put stressors on a system already stressed by multiple users. By all accounts the economic benefit to a community is short lived and the long term potential devastation is a legacy forever. Please Follow the lead of the states of NY, MD, and NJ and ban all fracking in the delaware river basin. Represent the people, the river and ecosystems of the river.