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I have been canoeing on the Delaware River since I was nine years old, and I'm 70 now. I've paddled from Calicoon to the Water Gap. I've also seen and been on the river in various spots such as Lambertville, New Hope, Trenton, Camden, Philadelphia and Cape May Point.

Fracking can destroy not only the beauty and usefulness of the river itself, but also the water that sustains millions of regional residents. I know that the industry and their lackeys (of which I hope you are not one) maintain that fracking's danger isn't proven. Nevertheless, there are a huge number of incidents that strongly support the claims of pollution and other environmental degradation.

We cannot take that chance with such an important resource. Imagine what your children and grandchildren will think of you if you authorize an activity that destroys, or even harms, the river. You will be remembered as pariahs. Is that the legacy you want to leave?

Ban fracking entirely!