

## Alan Flake

Dear Commissioners,

I am a frequent fly fisherman on the Upper Delaware River and care deeply for the preservation of this unique watershed. Fracking activity puts this watershed at risk in a multitude of ways and should be prohibited. But allowing millions of gallons of water to be withdrawn by drillers for support of fracking elsewhere and the treatment of fracking wastewater within the watershed will also have a potentially major detrimental impact. Low flow and high temperatures induced by major water withdrawals could ruin this cold water habitat and decimate the trout populations that are currently thriving. Chemical injury from wastewater treatment in combination with low flows could be disastrous. I would ask you to strengthen the current regulations limiting the impact of fracking on the region to protect the Delaware for generations to come and to increase monitoring and enforcement of these regulations. Thank you for considering this issue and I hope, with your help, to continue to enjoy a thriving Upper Delaware habitat for years to come.

Sincerely,

Alan Flake