

To: Edward Hanlon/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
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Subject: hydro fracking

Dear Mr. Hanlon:

I am writing to oppose drilling for natural gas by hydrofracking.

As you surely have read the articles in the New York Times, this technology causes extensive problems for water.

2.5% of the water on the planet now is 'clean', and .5% is drinkable!
What does this say about further pollution by hydrofracking? It says that even in its most diluted states, to continue to use fresh water is disease and death for living things... from amoebas to humans.

We humans can not continue using this resource in such thought-less measures.
It does not - it will not get us off foreign oil. It does not - it will not provide long term economic change.

My letter does not ask for higher regulations or oversight for fracking, because I see this as a waste of our time and continued risk of precious natural resources of water, air and land.

The only way to solve this problem is to stop the use of fossil fuels.

Hydrofracking... stop it now.

Ruth Hardinger

ps: The EPA public comment period has been too short and not widely made public.
I see that most of the responses are from Texas, and it appears they all are stakeholders.
It is a very biased and one sided perspective. Know that there are growing numbers of citizens who are shocked and appalled by the lack of respect for the environment that is occurring here and now.