

You must ban hydraulic fracking, all oil and gas drilling, and extraction waste in Connecticut. The EPA has failed to properly identify fracking waste as hazardous waste. This failure by the EPA to establish the proper controls on fracking waste has caused numerous environmental problems in states that are receiving this waste for disposal. The Fracking Waste that would be coming to Connecticut to be processed from the Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania contains radioactive elements, carcinogens, heavy metals and high levels of salt. The dangers of processing this waste in Connecticut without it properly being identified and controlled as hazardous radioactive waste is irresponsible. The half life of the radioactive element radium 226 found in the fracking waste from the Marcellus Shale is 1600 years. Consider what could happen to our rivers, streams, surface water, and aquifers if operator error occurs during processing, treating, or transporting this waste. Regulations will not prevent inadequate testing, treating or enforcement, resulting in permanent damage to Connecticut and its citizens.

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