

Nonviolent protest planned against fracking on Delaware River

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The Delaware River, the primary drinking water source for 15.6 million people in the northeastern part of the United States, is in danger of being invaded by the drilling or "fracking" of 20,000 gas wells.

The Delaware River Basin Commission will vote on a plan that would open up this precious waterway to the fossil fuel industry at a special meeting 10 a.m. Nov. 21. The vote had originally been set for Oct. 21.

Two environmental groups ? Save the Delaware River and the Delaware River Keepers ? are organizing a peaceful, nonviolent rally at 8 a.m. Nov. 21 in Trenton, N.J., at the commission meeting.

Josh Fox, creator of the documentary *Gasland*, is asking people from the region to show up if they can or to contact the Obama administration to express concerns about fracking.

For more information, go to savethedelawareriver.com [1] or delawareriverkeeper.org [2].

Eco Catholic [featured a story in September](#) [3] about religious groups who are looking at the environmental impact of gas drilling in the Delaware River Basin.

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