Impacts of Marcellus Shale

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Impacts

- Number 1 – Increased Truck Traffic and Damage to Roads
- Construction of Well Pads in Forested Areas
- Construction of Well Pads in Scenic Areas
- Water Withdrawal Sites
- Pipeline Construction Through Wooded Areas
Impacts Continued

- Noise During Drilling Phase of Development
- Noise from Compressor Stations
- Rents Increasing - Displacing Locals from Affordable Housing
- Shortage of Housing in General
Mitigating The Impacts

- Posting and Bonding of Roads, Private Agreements with Companies
- Work with Companies to Minimize Clearing for Well Pads
- Work with Companies to Minimize Number of Water Withdraw Sites
- Work With Companies to Minimize Width of Construction and Permanent Easements
Mitigation Continued

- Use of Fencing and Sound Blankets in Residential Areas
- Enclose Compressor Engines in Sound Attenuated Building
- Housing Coalition is Examining the Housing Issues
Zoning

- Zoning is Imperative to Local Control of Industry
- Recent Court Decisions in PA Support Local Control of Traditional Land Use Issues Concerning the Industry
- Needs to be Reasonable and Balanced Based Upon Comprehensive Plan
- Deal with Health, Safety and Welfare
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