

Susquehanna River Basin Commission

a water management agency serving the Susquehanna River Watershed



SRBC WATER QUALITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Current Activities Related to Shale Gas Development

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May 22, 2012
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- A. Introductions, Opening Remarks (15 min) (Dave Heicher, SRBC)
- B. SRBC Low Flow Protection Policy (30 min) (John Balay, SRBC)
- C. SRBC Shale Gas Region Monitoring (30 min) (Andrew Gavin, SRBC)
- D. USGS Studies to Establish Baseline Water Quality in the Marcellus Shale Development Area (30 min) (Jeff Chaplin, USGS)
- E. Final Plan to Study the Potential Impacts of Hydraulic Fracturing on Drinking Water Resources (30 min) (Jeanne Briskin, USEPA Office of Research and Development)
- F. Lunch at 12:15 p.m. (provided by SRBC)
- G. Pennsylvania's Act 13: The Marcellus Shale Law (30 min) (Kurt Klapkowski, PADEP)
- H. New York State's New Water Resources Law (Michael Holt, NYSDEC)
- I. Update on Maryland's Marcellus Shale Study (15 min) (Herb Sachs, MDE)
- J. Roundtable Review of Shale Gas Related Questions (Dave Heicher, SRBC):
 - Explain or describe your agency's role in any energy development activity in the Susquehanna River Basin.
 - Explain or describe key criteria your agency considers/raises when making a recommendation to SRBC or respective SRBC Commissioner (e.g., fed agency input to fed commissioner, state agency to their state commissioner) to approve/disapprove a withdrawal.
 - Identify your agency's research needs related to shale gas development in the Susquehanna River Basin.
- K. Adjourn at 3:00 p.m.