

I am concerned about the impact of hydraulic fracking on the environment, specifically, the impact on ground water and surface water. I am an avid salmon fisherman who, from opening(June 1) to closing(early Sept.) day of the inland fishery, regularly fish the rivers in the Bay St George and Northern Peninsula with friends and visitors from outside the province.

My first concern centers around the amount of fresh water required to drill one well. Does the panel fully realize that fracking requires large amounts of fresh water?

My second concern is the plan for companies that are carrying out the fracking, to remove the waste that is produced by drilling. What will happen to the waste after the well is vacated?

Finally, I would like a guarantee that hydraulic fracking will have no negative impact on the quality and quantity of fresh water. If no guarantee can be granted, then this procedure should not be granted permission to proceed.

Thank You for your time

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