

Keep Newfoundland and Labrador frack-free

Oh, I do love Newfoundland. I don't live there, but have been there numerous times for work. I want to return, but I do NOT want to see land destroyed by fracking. Who wants to spend their money seeing that? Goodbye tourism. And I know the following:

Water use: unsustainable amounts of water are needed for fracking operations. Come on, people, let's get real.

Fracking wastewater: Hazardous chemicals are used that destroy water and there is no proven safe method of disposal. Will you destroy the Atlantic as well?

Climate impacts: CO₂ and methane are very damaging to the environment. Air emissions and seismicity are all real concerns. Fracking for shale oil presents unique risks including increased volatility during transport.

Socio-economic impacts: low-income communities are often targeted. The promise of jobs rarely transpires.

So, please, do NOT allow this to ruin the great beauty God bestowed to you. We must protect, not destroy, the environment.

Sincerely,

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