

Keep Newfoundland and Labrador frack-free

To Whom it May Concern,

I wish to join my voice to the Council of Canadians to help keep our exquisitely beautiful province free from fracking. We have a clean environment relative to most other places. Until recently so did Western Canada but that is not the case today.

The ground water in many areas of Saskatchewan where fracking has been done is no longer potable.

Many people in Newfoundland depend on well water. Many communities do not have and cannot afford a community water supply. If the ground water is polluted they will not have safe drinking water.

There have been many submissions that pointed out the hazards of this method of extracting oil from the ground. Hazards such as dangerous methane emissions, unsustainable water use, hazardous chemicals going into the groundwater, seismicity etc. and many more. Each one of these is reason enough to ban fracking!

What our generation has done to the Earth's environment is horrific. In less than a hundred years the Earth's air, water, climate and now geological stability, have been threatened. What a legacy to leave to our children and grandchildren.

My vote is to keep Newfoundland's environment free of the effects of fracking. I call for a moratorium on fracking. My vote will count in this election and the fracking issue will be a major factor in influencing how I vote.

Sincerely,

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