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CONCERNS:

- 1) * REDUNDANCY OF PIPELINES, GREENFIELD ROW NOT NECESSARY
- 2) * NAVIGABLE WATERS, HDD UNDER TUNKHANNOCK CREEK
- 3) * LOCAL UTILITIES ARE RAISING RATES, GAS IS FOR EXPORT

(WYOMING COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION)

- 1) WILLIAMS OWNS TWO GATHERING LINE SYSTEMS THAT ALREADY EXTEND FROM SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY PRODUCTION ZONES TO SERVE THEIR TRANSCO SYSTEM, INTERCONNECT IN DALLAS THE TRANSCO SYSTEM INTERCONNECTS WITH THE UPGRADED COLUMBIA PIPELINE THAT SERVES POINTS SOUTH AND CAN SEND THE GAS TO COVERPOINT LNG TERMINAL FOR OVERSEAS SHIPMENT AND BEYOND. THOSE GATHERING PIPELINE EASEMENTS WERE NEGOTIATED WITH EACH LANDOWNER AND PLACED IN SERVICE UNDER MORE AGREEABLE TERMS THAN ASP. ASP IS NOT NECESSARY AND THE DECISION TO SEIZE A GREENFIELD ROW INSTEAD OF NOT BUILD, OR AT LEAST CO-LOCATE WITH EXISTING CORRIDORS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARBITRARY, CAPRICIOUS, AND UNACCEPTABLE.

2) TUNKHANNOCK CREEK AND ITS TRIBUTARIES SERVE AS BOTH A COLD WATER TROUT FISHERY AND BASS FISHERY. ASP IS PROPOSED TO UTILIZE TRENCHING IN THE CREEK BED TWICE CROSSING BOTH BRANCHES OF TUNKHANNOCK CREEK. THE CREEK IS EXTREMELY POPULAR AMONG RAFTERS, CANOERS, KAYAKERS, BATHERS AND ANGLERS. ENDLESS MOUNTAINS NATURE CENTER HOSTS THEIR NATURE DAY CAMP AT LITTLE ROCKY GLEN WHERE THE CLEAR WATER ALLOWS CHILDREN TO DISCOVER MACROINVERTEBRATES. IN 2015, I INSTRUCTED THE YOUTH HOW TO MAKE THEIR OWN FISHING POLES AND CATCH TROUT, WHICH THEY WERE VERY SUCCESSFUL WITH.

ASP SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO TAKE CORE SAMPLES OF BEDROCK TO GUARANTEE THE PRESENCE OF OVERBURDEN ROCK AND, IF THIS PIPELINE IS APPROVED, REQUIRE THE USE OF HORIZONTAL DIRECTIONAL DRILLING, OR HDD, TO AVOID SURFACE IMPACTS TO TUNKHANNOCK CREEK AND ITS TRIBUTARIES.

3) FINALLY, THE ASP IS GOING TO SEND GAS OUT OF PENNSYLVANIA, JUST LIKE DOZENS OF PIPELINE PROJECTS IN THE PAST DECADE. THE MARCELLUS SHALE HAS BECOME THE 21ST CENTURY'S ANTHRACITE COAL AND THE EXTRACTION RELATIONSHIP, THE TYCOONS AND BARONS, AND THE REFUSAL OF OUR COMMONWEALTH TO REQUIRE LIMITS AND BOUNDARIES WHEN THE INDUSTRY COMMANDS THEM ARE ALL REFLECTIONS OF AN ERA THAT LEFT US NEGLECTED: INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES, WASTE, AND REELING UNEMPLOYMENT WHEN THE BOOM WENT BUST. UGT, OUR REGIONAL GAS UTILITY, HAS PROPOSED A RATE INCREASE FOR ITS CUSTOMERS, ^{MANY} WHO LIVE IN COAL ERA, AGING HOMES INSULATED WITH NEWSPAPER, 10,000 WELLS HAVE BEEN DRILLED IN 10 YEARS WITH OVER 400 VIOLATIONS CITED BY YOUR DEPARTMENT FOR CEMENT WELL CASING FAILURES AND 285 DETERMINATION LETTERS SENT TO LANDOWNERS THAT YOU DETERMINED HAD THEIR WATER SUPPLY CONTAMINATED BY OPERATIONS RELATED TO OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT SINCE 2007. ~~THE~~ THE ASP WILL ENABLE TENS OF THOUSANDS MORE WELLS TO BE

DRILLED, LEAVING RURAL PENNSYLVANIANS, AGAIN
~~BEING~~ LIVING IN THE CROSSHAIRS OF WEALTHY
INDUSTRIALISTS ~~WHO~~ WHO WAKE UP EVERY MORNING
IN HOUSTON TEXAS, COMMUTE TO WILLIAMS
TOWER, AND HAVE NO RESPECT AND NEVER
SEE THE CREEKS THEY TRENCH THROUGH,
THE LANDOWNERS THEY DRAG TO FEDERAL
COURT FOR EMINENT DOMAIN CONDEMNATION,
OR THE WELL PADS THAT WILL SIT LIKE
COAL BREAKERS AND STRIP MINES FOR
FUTURE GENERATIONS TO CLEAN UP.

THE ASP IS REDUNDANT, WHERE THE GAS
IS ALREADY PLUMBED OUT OF PENNSYLVANIA,
AND SHOULD BE FOUND TO BE TOO DISRUPTIVE
TO OUR NORTHEAST AND CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITIES,
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