

# Frac Sand Sentinel

*...keeping watch on the industry*

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Oil tanker cars traveling along the Mississippi have become a major concern for residents living along the river. There is great concern with explosion in that volatile crude is carried in these black bombs! Read some of the discussion.

Go to [www.ccc-wis.com](http://www.ccc-wis.com) for additional resources and updates!



If you need more information on rail concerns, please go to <http://dot111.info/>

[MAP: 25 Million Americans Live Within The 'Blast Zone' Of An Oil Train Explosion | ThinkProgress](#)

## America's Dairyland Turning to Petrostate: Wisconsin Oil-By-Rail Routes Published for First Time

 Steve Horn, News Investigation

DeSmogBlog revealed the first ever routes for oil-by-rail trains in Wisconsin. But the documents were supposed to be shared with people on a "need-to-know" basis, not the general public. Why so?

[Read the full story](#) | [Discuss](#) | [Share](#)

## A leaked document shows just how much the EU wants a piece of America's fracking boom - The Washington Post

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/wonkblog/wp/2014/07/08/could-a-trade-deal-lift-the-u-s-longstanding-ban-on-crude-oil-exports-europe-thinks-so/>

## **A Note and Story and invitation from Larry Littlegeorge and Art & Dawn Shegonee**

Greetings Everyone,

Please read below about the Great News! We have a very significant and meaningful story to share.

Larry Littlegeorge was hoping to find a Buffalo hide for the tribes to sign on to the "Treaties of Agreement". Art called his friend Mike Morris in Janesville who built a Children's Peace Park around the time the White Buffalo Calf "Miracle" was born. Art was in Janesville a lot helping the Heider's since people came there from all over the world to see this special calf! ( [www.whitebuffalomiracle.homestead.com](http://www.whitebuffalomiracle.homestead.com) ). Art asked Mike if he knew where he could find a hide and Mike said, he had "Miracle's brother's hide!!! Can you believe it!!! We have now have a hide to take on our journey, a journey as we Act Now to travel to advance the signing on to the " Treaties of Agreement" for the purpose of Protecting Mother Earth and our Children of the Next Seven Generations. As tribes from across the nation sign on to the hide, it will become a sacred symbol of reviving the Treaties to unify the Tribes taking us back to the beginning of our nation's history and to strengthen the trust and the truths we stand for as a nation as stated in our Constitution.

This signing of the " Treaties of Agreement" puts a heartbeat and a pulse back into the Treaties made with the United States of America and at the same time leads us towards the hope of unifying all of us, A New People, emerging together around the reclaiming of Our True Democracy!

Rochelle Diver, who spoke at the 1st Summit of the Federation of United Tribes, addressed the International Treaties. She holds a seat at the United Nations and was hopeful that the act of the Tribes coming together around the Treaties could make a huge difference as we meet with the UN and for our future generations.

Also traveling with the Delegation to Tailgate to Educate and to Save Our State is Jay McDonough from [www.greentv.com](http://www.greentv.com) which has a global outreach, and he will document the voices, the stories, and events of the people along the Journey. He will also connect to other media like [www.indiancountrytv.com](http://www.indiancountrytv.com) . The Tailgate to Educate group will be headed to New York for the [www.globalclimateconvergence.org](http://www.globalclimateconvergence.org) meeting on September 19,2014, for the largest Climate March in the History of the United Nations on September 21,2014 (visit [www.thepeoplesmarch.org](http://www.thepeoplesmarch.org) ) for more information. Also visit [www.federationofunitedtribes.org](http://www.federationofunitedtribes.org) . We would appreciate any contributions towards making this special and significant Journey successful. Also visit [www.wisconsingrassroots.net](http://www.wisconsingrassroots.net) whose purpose is to connect, educate and unify the people across Wisconsin. Here is the schedule we will follow:

### TAILGATE TO EDUCATE TO SAVE OUR STATE

SATURDAY, July 12, 2014

#### **Chippewa Falls-Wisconsin State Fair & Sand Mine Tour of Barron & Chippewa Counties**

We will visit frac sand mines, trans-load stations, and one of the largest sand processing facilities in the country, where 2.6 million tons of Wisconsin sand are being hauled away each year.

- ❖ Leave Madison @ 7:30AM. Call Dawn if you want to join us: 608.469.8572.
- ❖ There are some seats for people to ride along on this tour.
- ❖ Hosted by Pat Pople and Ken Schmitt.
- ❖ Following the tour, there will be a picnic in Irvine Park across from the Fairgrounds.

SATURDAY, July 26, 2014

#### Augusta, Town of Bridge Creek - Touring the Driftless Area

Visit rolling hills and bucolic Amish farms in Wisconsin's Driftless Area amidst the sand mining that is having an effect on the population and destruction of the land

- ❖ Leave Madison @ 8:00AM. Call Dawn if you want to join us: 608.469.8572.
- ❖ Hosted by Jennifer Linse and Citizens of Bridge Creek.

- ❖ Following the tour, there will be a lunch and reception for the delegation.

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED:Bad River Penokee Hills

SEPTEMBER 19 -21, 2014

Travel 4 states with the delegation, "Treaties of Agreement" Protecting Mother Earth, leading to New York City, where the historic climate convergence summit will take place on September 19 - the NYC Climate Convergence; and to join in with the NYC climate gathering in the largest climate march in history, The People's March on September 21.

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## More News About a Walk

Rodrick Greengrass from the Ho Chunk Nation is organizing a walk starting in Trempealeau Co. which will focus on educating people about frac sand mining, Enbridge 61 and the Proposed Penokee taconite mine near Mellen, WI. He is looking for people to volunteer and participate. He is very well connected and has innumerable resources. His contact information is: cellphone: 213-842-4876 and email: [ndnpromoter06@yahoo.com](mailto:ndnpromoter06@yahoo.com). He is internationally known. Take a look. Here is the event page:  
<http://eaglecondorproductions.weebly.com/eagle--condor-solidarity-walk-for-mother-earth.html>

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## Sand conveyor plan OK'd by Dovre

<http://www.ricelakeonline.com/main.asp?SectionID=6&SubSectionID=208&ArticleID=27795>

## Town of Dovre in Barron Co. tables frac moratorium: will hold public hearing on July 22

<http://www.ricelakeonline.com/main.asp?ArticleID=27843&SectionID=6&SubSectionID=208>

## Many Towns, Counties and the State are approaching the frac sand issues by writing regulations. There are other methods being tried. Compare and contrast.....

Can we learn anything from the town of Dryden's success?

<http://www.resilience.org/stories/2014-07-01/court-rules-that-new-york-towns-can-ban-fracking>

And Paul Cienfuegos suggests you read the CELDF statement on the Dryden decision. "I would encourage you to send this link, to offer your many readers another perspective on the limits of that legal strategy."

Here's the link to the CELDF statement: <http://www.celdf.org/statement-of-the-community-environmental-legal-defense-fund-on-recent-decision-by-the-new-york-court-of-appeals-in-the-dryden-and-middlefield-new-york-cases>.

<http://content.sierraclub.org/press-releases/2014/07/groups-defend-longmont-fracking-ban-stand-voters>

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## Groups Defend Longmont Fracking Ban, Stand with Voters

BOULDER, CO- Yesterday, presided over by Judge D.D. Mallard, the Boulder County Court held its first hearing in the case filed by the industry and the State of Colorado against the 2012 fracking ban passed by the citizens of Longmont. Legal representation for the State of Colorado, Colorado Oil and Gas Association (COGA), and TOP Operating Company asked the judge for a summary judgment in their favor, avoiding a full trial and overriding the will of the voters who enacted a fracking ban in November 2012 through a citizen initiative that received about 60 percent of the vote. The city of Longmont and a coalition of citizen organizations represented by the Environmental Law Clinic at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law and made up of Our Longmont, the Sierra Club, Earthworks, and Food and Water Watch, are working to defend the right of Longmont residents to protect their home from unacceptable impacts on public health, environmental, and quality of life caused by fracking operations.

Coloradans in Longmont are part of a national groundswell of voices calling for community control over oil and gas drilling and fracking in their backyards. Voters in five Colorado communities, including Longmont, have passed fracking bans or moratoria in the last two years. Most recently in Loveland it took the industry outspending local community organizations more than 400:1 to prevent a 2-year moratorium from passing at the ballot box.

Over the past decade Colorado has experienced a boom in oil and gas drilling. Colorado currently has more than 50,000 active oil and gas wells covering much of the state's landscape. High volume slickwater hydraulic fracturing, better known as fracking, is employed in 95 percent of Colorado oil and gas operations and has raised health and safety concerns for communities. Across Colorado's northern plains, oil and gas companies are increasingly operating not only in sparsely populated areas, but also in towns and suburbs. Longmont is located 35 miles north of Denver and on the edge of Colorado's most productive oil and gas field.

Kaye Fissinger, President of Our Longmont said, "In their vote to prohibit hydraulic fracking within Longmont, the citizens of Longmont mandated that their Colorado constitutional and inalienable rights to health, safety and welfare are paramount and deserved to be elevated to the city's charter, equivalent to a constitution in a Home Rule municipality like Longmont. Both in its written pleadings to the Boulder District Court and in oral arguments, oil and gas industry lawyers repeatedly told Judge Mallard that our health, safety and welfare are 'irrelevant' and 'immaterial.' All of the slick advertising and millions of dollars that are being spent to persuade Coloradans that they really do care about us should be permanently laid to rest by their own words to the court."

"Longmont voters used the ballot box to protect their community from fracking and drilling," said Catherine Collentine, Colorado Campaign Representative for the Sierra Club. "Citizens and local governments have every right to protect themselves; court decisions in Pennsylvania and New York have affirmed that, and have upheld local government's rights to protect its residents. We hope that Colorado courts also uphold the rights of voters, which is essential to protect public health from this out-of-control and under-regulated industry."

Karen Dike, Sierra Club volunteer leader and Longmont resident, added: "My friends and neighbors in Longmont can see the harm fracking has caused just across the county line in Weld County, and we voted to protect the place we live and raise our children and grandchildren. Our children's health and safety is more important than industry profits. There comes a point when we realize that we need clean energy now, and dirty fuels should stay in the ground where they belong."

"Communities across Colorado have demanded bans or moratoria on fracking in order to protect their residents' health, safety and property," said Lisa Trope, Colorado-based organizer with Food & Water Watch. "State regulations fail to adequately protect communities from the water contamination, air pollution and social costs of fracking, and cities like Longmont have every right to deal with this extreme drilling process as they see fit. We hope that Judge Mallard will stand with the families of Longmont."

For more information on Sierra Club's efforts to protect communities from harmful oil and gas operations go to <http://content.sierraclub.org/naturalgas> and to <http://rnc.sierraclub.org/>; for Earthworks visit <http://www.earthworksaction.org/>; for Our Longmont see <http://ourlongmont.org/> and for Food and Water Watch go to <http://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/>.

### *Shared by a correspondent:*

Great interview I wanted to bring to your attention: CBS had BP Capital's T. Boone Pickens on their morning show two days ago, and their morning news anchors destroyed his claim that fracking "isn't going to hurt anybody," even getting Pickens to admit that he is wrong.

<http://mm4a.org/1q1HHdA>

**This Is How You Interview Someone Who Isn't Telling The Truth About Fracking: CBS Anchors Get An Oil Industry Tycoon To Admit "You've Proven Me Wrong" On Fracking Dangers** From the July 8 edition of CBS' *CBS This Morning*:

# COMPENDIUM OF SCIENTIFIC, MEDICAL, AND MEDIA FINDINGS DEMONSTRATING RISKS AND HARMS OF FRACKING (UNCONVENTIONAL GAS AND OIL EXTRACTION)

<http://concernedhealthny.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/CHPNY-Fracking-Compendium.pdf>

*Raising Elijah by Sandra Steingraber*

about an hour ago · Edited

TODAY in Albany: Sandra joins with colleagues (L to R) Sheila Bushkin-Bedient, MD, MPH, Michelle Bamberger, MS, DVM, Robert Oswald, PhD and Kathleen Nolan, MD, MSL, in presenting a major new compilation – a Compendium – of the scientific, medical and media findings demonstrating risks and harms of fracking.

Fully referenced with well over three hundred citations, it covers fifteen compelling topics that emerge in reviewing the data, opening with sections on two of the most acute threats—air pollution and water contamination—and ending with medical and scientific calls for more study and transparency.

Download the Compendium here: <http://concernedhealthny.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/CHPNY-Fracking-Compendium.pdf>

Read the Letter sent today by members of Concerned Health Professionals of New York to Acting Health Commissioner Zucker: <http://concernedhealthny.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/CHPNY-Public-Letter-to-Zucker.pdf>

Much more coverage to come!



Photo by Ted Auch, FracTracker

*Frac Sand from Chippewa and Barron Counties, WI*

***Welcome to the Frac Sand Sentinel, a newsletter highlighting resource links, news media accounts, blog posts, correspondence, observations and opinions gathered regarding local actions on, and impacts of, the developing frac sand mining and processing industries.***

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