

# No LNG on the Delaware

## Week of Action Toolkit

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There are LOTS of reasons to oppose the proposed LNG export terminal in Gibbstown, but we've distilled them into the following list of nine that will be the basis of our daily actions starting on November 30th. The DRBC's meeting is December 9th, so we're calling the list 9 for the 9th!

Below, we'll provide tweets, Instagram images, and Facebook posts you can copy and paste based on these nine reasons, but you can also use these reasons when you make calls, send faxes, and write letters or postcards.

## 9 FOR THE 9TH

The Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) is considering approval of a proposed liquefied natural gas (LNG) export terminal in Gibbstown, NJ on the Delaware River, just downriver from Philadelphia and too close to tens of thousands of people in the region. A wide coalition of environmental and community organizations are working together to say NO to this dirty and dangerous project. As a potential decision is looming on December 9th, we have organized a WEEK OF ACTION beginning on Monday, November 30th to put pressure on the governors of the four states that share the Delaware River as they will ultimately make this decision. This toolkit will provide you with background information, a schedule of easy volunteer actions you can take from home each day, and lots of sample materials you can copy and paste from to help you take action!

Please share this toolkit with your personal network and on social media, so we can have the biggest impact possible! We can stop this dangerous, climate-destructive project if we raise our voices together!

### **Background Information:**

The proposed Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal would take fracked gas from Pennsylvania, liquefy the methane at a plant the company plans to build in Wyalusing, Bradford County, PA, and transport it ~200 miles to Gibbstown for export overseas through communities using hundreds of trucks and/or rail cars every day. New Fortress Energy is pushing the DRBC to approve the project despite its huge environmentally destructive footprint and the extreme

danger that LNG poses to public safety. DRBC is charged with protecting the water and resources of the Delaware River Watershed. To fulfill that mission, the proposed LNG export terminal project ("Dock 2") must be rejected. It is up to us, the public, to tell the DRBC Commissioners - the Governors of NJ, NY, PA, and DE - to listen to us, not the special interests who aim to exploit the watershed for their own benefit!

### **Reasons to oppose this project:**

1. **Dangerous Terminal:** The proposed Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal ("Dock 2") would potentially triple the activity at the current terminal, perpetually loading massive tanker ships with LNG 24 hours/day 365 days/year. This is an operation fraught with danger as the flammable and potentially explosive liquid gas is transferred from rail cars and tank trucks into the ships at the two additional berths at the proposed dock, sitting out in the river just 400 yards from the busy navigation channel. Backyards adjoin the facility's property in Gibbstown, and Chester, an environmental justice community, is under 3 miles away, all within the potential impact zone of an LNG release.
2. **"Bomb Trains and Trucks":** To move the LNG from Wyalusing to Gibbstown, two 100-railcar trains and/or 300-400 tanker trucks per day would course through hundreds of communities, exposing people to the potential of a catastrophic accident that could kill and injure hundreds of thousands of people. The Special Permit for the project uses recklessly unsafe railcars designed 50 years ago, never used or tested for LNG. Attorneys General from 14 states, including PA, NJ, NY, and DE, the National Transportation Safety Board, and the International Association of Fire Fighters have legally challenged the federal LNG by rail rulemaking based on public safety threats. Tank trucks – approximately 300 to 400 per day – would pass almost a million people every day, exposing them to the deadly and destructive unstoppable effects of an LNG explosion or fire from a traffic accident.
3. **Environmental Injustice:** Population data along the path of the proposed LNG transport routes show that black and brown people and low-income communities would be exposed to the most intense and inescapable zone of impact should there be an accident such as a derailment. The most likely train route cuts through neighborhoods in Philadelphia and communities in Camden and Gloucester Counties, an intolerable environmental injustice.
4. **Unique LNG Dangers:** LNG is more dangerous than other hazardous petroleum gases being transported today. It is kept at -260 degrees F, and once released into the air, it expands more than 600 times and evaporates into an extremely cold vapor cloud that can kill, robbing oxygen from the air. If ignited, the fire burns so hot it cannot be extinguished; second-degree burns can occur within 30 seconds for those exposed within a mile. If trapped, it can explode with the force of a thermobaric bomb and an unstoppable rapid phase transition can cause a "flameless bomb", its damage traveling miles on water. The ships have been recognized as terrorist targets by the federal government. 22 railcars carry the energy of the Hiroshima bomb, and one LNG ship is equal to approximately 69 Hiroshima atomic bombs.
5. **Environmental Damage and Degradation:** The "Dock 2" terminal requires substantial dredging that would stir up and distribute toxic pollutants into ground and surface water

at the highly contaminated former DuPont munitions manufacturing site, destroy endangered species such as Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon as well as rare habitats, and, combined with the natural gas liquids handling that would be expanded, would emit criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gases.

6. "Floating Bombs": The huge ships would traverse ~85 miles of the Delaware River and Bay, passing many Delaware and South Jersey communities, including densely populated areas, environmental justice communities, important recreational and tourism assets, and areas of unique and vulnerable environmental, economic, and natural value to reach the Atlantic Ocean and foreign ports. The environmental and public safety costs are borne by the public for the benefit of a private company's business interests.
7. Delaware Bans LNG Terminals: LNG terminals are so dangerous that the State of Delaware Administrative Code prohibits the development of liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminals in the coastal zone in Delaware under current law based on safety and environmental issues, which are detailed in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for Delaware's coastal zone management plan.
8. Climate Disaster: The impacts of the entire Wyalusing/Gibbstown project will exacerbate climate change. LNG, or "liquefied methane", leaks or is vented throughout the supply chain from extraction, processing, storage and transport. Methane is the most powerful greenhouse gas in heating the atmosphere on a 20-year time scale, adding to the emissions we as a nation are supposed to be reducing in order to do our part to combat the climate crisis.
9. Sacrifice Zone: It would be the first facility to liquefy this volume of methane in the shale fields far from an export terminal, spurring fracking and endangering the people of the shale regions; the first large scale tank truck transport of LNG; the first use of rail cars in the nation to transport LNG; the first terminal to receive such a large volume of LNG without pipelines and on-site storage; and the first LNG export facility in New Jersey and the Delaware River Basin. The myriad impacts and complicated risky maneuvers turn the impacted communities into a sacrifice zone, where people are used like Guinea pigs, most without even knowing it.

## TARGETS:

The governors of the 4 watershed states are the main targets for our week of action. Of them, NJ Governor Murphy is the most important. The 5th commissioner is the president, always represented by the Army Corps of Engineers, so we can target them too. Here's all their contact info, but no need to remember it. We'll also provide it in the daily calendar of actions below. (We're providing fax numbers for governors who stopped taking calls when the pandemic began.)

**Governor Andrew Cuomo, NY**

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Albany, NY 12224

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**Twitter:** @NYGovCuomo

**Instagram:** @nygovcuomo

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/GovernorAndrewCuomo>

**Governor Tom Wolf, PA**

**Fax:** 717-772-8284

**Mailing Address:**

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Harrisburg, PA 17120

**Email form:** <https://www.governor.pa.gov/contact/#OnlineForm>

**Twitter:** @GovernorTomWolf

**Instagram:** @governortomwolf

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/governorwolf>

**Governor Phil Murphy, NJ**

**Fax:** 609-777-2922

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Trenton, NJ 08625

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**Twitter:** @GovMurphy

**Instagram:** @govmurphy

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/governorphilmurphy/>

**Governor John Carney, DE**

**Fax:** 302-739-2775

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Wilmington, DE 19801

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**Twitter:** @JohnCarneyDE

**Instagram:** @johncarneyde

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/JohnCarneyDE>

**Army Corp of Engineers - Brigadier General Thomas J. Tickner**

**Fax:**

**Mailing Address:**

North Atlantic Division

302 General Lee Avenue

Brooklyn, NY 11252-6700

**Email form:** <https://www.nad.usace.army.mil/Contact.aspx>

**Twitter:** @ArmyCorpsNAD

**Instagram:**

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/northatlanticdivision>

## DAILY CALENDAR OF ACTIONS

### MONDAY, 11/30 CALL-IN DAY

Today, we need to jam phone and fax lines into the governors' offices! NJ Governor Murphy may be the key vote, so if you're not from NJ, call or fax your governor and then call or fax him!

**Your phone message or fax should be short and always include the concluding "ask":**

**"I ask you to vote NO on the proposed Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal Dock 2 permit."**

**When calling your own governor, be sure to include your name and address, so the governor knows that you are a constituent!**

Not sure what else to say? You can use our list of reasons to oppose the project as talking points, but remember, keep your message short as there may be limits on message length.

Most governors turned off their phones during the pandemic, so fax them! FaxZero.com lets you send a free fax to your governor. No sign-up required. Want to say a lot? You can attach a document, or you can just type a short message onto the cover page.

[https://faxzero.com/fax\\_governor.php](https://faxzero.com/fax_governor.php)

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## TUESDAY, 12/1 TWITTER STORM

There are 3 ways you can help make our Twitter storm a success.

- 1) Write your own tweets using the handles and hashtags below.
- 2) Use our “click to tweet” links or copy and paste the sample tweets below! (You can also add photos we’ve provided below to your tweets.)
- 3) Search on #DRBCNoLNG in Twitter and retweet the tweets in the search results. (Click on the “Latest” tab to see the most tweets.)

**CLICK TO TWEET:** If you’re too busy to draft a tweet, simply click these links to send one!

Governor Murphy - <https://ctt.ec/o5R67>

Governor Cuomo - <https://ctt.ec/28hnc>

Governor Wolf - [https://ctt.ec/2h\\_0K](https://ctt.ec/2h_0K)

Governor Carney - <https://ctt.ec/PQeBC>

**TWITTER HANDLES OF TARGETS:** (Note: If you begin a tweet with an “@”, you must precede the @ with a period to bypass a filter that limits visibility. If the @ is in the middle of your tweet, no period is necessary.)

.@GovMurphy

.@NYGovCuomo

.@GovernorTomWolf

.@JohnCarneyDE

.@armycorpsnad

**HASHTAGS:** (Use the first one in every tweet. If you have space for a second, choose from the others.)

#DRBCNoLNG (Official hashtag for the day)

#NoLNGontheDelaware

#NoGibbstownLNG

#NoLNGExports

#LNGGibbstown

### **SAMPLE TWEETS**

#### 8 a.m. tweets

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## WEDNESDAY, 12/2 SNAIL MAIL DAY

Drop the Commissioners a line on Snail Mail Day! Send a short note, postcard, or something more creative like your child's drawing or a favorite photo of the Delaware. Then send a quick email to the Commissioner(s) you write to, telling them to check their mail!

You can write your own letter - always the most effective - or you can copy and paste this sample letter into the portal we provide the link to below for each of the Commissioners:

### **SAMPLE LETTER:**

I am asking you, as a DRBC Commissioner, to vote NO on the approval for the Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal, known as "Dock 2" Docket D-2017-009-2.

I oppose the export of Liquefied Natural Gas that is proposed by New Fortress Energy for Gibbstown, NJ on the Delaware River. This reckless proposal endangers those who live in the region around the proposed terminal site and all who are in the project's terrorizing path.

I oppose the destruction this terminal would cause of the endangered Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon, precious species who are clinging to survival in the Delaware, and of this rare habitat. I oppose the extreme danger for those who live along the truck and train transportation corridors in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, those who live in Delaware and South Jersey where the enormous LNG-laden ships would pass on their way to foreign ports, and those who would live around the polluting liquefaction plant in Wyalusing, Bradford County PA. I oppose the pollution that would result from the dredging and construction of the terminal dock at this highly

contaminated DuPont munitions site in a part of the river struggling to be free of contamination and supportive of life.

I oppose the export of dirty fracked LNG, especially considering that the people of Puerto Rico and Ireland are fighting for renewable and self-sustaining local energy and are rejecting New Fortress's attempts to force LNG import terminals on them. The world is changing as nations unite to fight the climate crisis. Dirty, expensive fossil fuels like fracked gas are being replaced by truly clean renewables in order to save the planet. I support this essential transformation and ask that you affirm DRBC's role in combating climate change by not allowing new greenhouse gas emissions to make it worse.

This project is an unsafe experiment, playing with peoples' lives. LNG is so dangerous to transport and handle that using railcars to transport it has been banned for decades in the United States (recently overturned by the outgoing Trump Administration but being legally challenged). Its flammable explosive nature cannot be controlled once it is released – posing catastrophic damage and loss of life through inextinguishable fires and bomb-force explosions should an accident occur. What New Fortress is attempting to do is unprecedented, untested, and exposes residents and workers to unacceptable risk.

Commissioners, I ask you to vote NO on the approval of Dock 2 at Gibbstown and the export of LNG. You, as Governors, represent me and my family, my friends, neighbors, businesses, and communities that are already overburdened with environmental damages. I ask that you hear me and vote as my representative to stop the Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal. VOTE NO ON LNG.

## **ADDRESSES:**

### **Governor Phil Murphy, NJ**

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Albany, NY 12224

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**Governor John Carney****Mailing Address:**

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**Army Corp of Engineers - Brigadier General Thomas J. Tickner****Mailing Address:**

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Brooklyn, NY 11252-6700

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## THURSDAY, 12/3 INSTAGRAM DAY

Instagram is all about photos and videos! Copy images for your instagram message from any of the images and graphics we've provided below or make your own! Then tag the governors in your post, so they see them, and add the suggested hashtags!

You can also take a photo of yourself holding a sign that delivers the message to the DRBC Commissioners and post that! You can make your own sign, or use one of the samples we have posted below by printing it out. This is a great visual way to make our voices heard!

**INSTAGRAM ACCOUNTS OF THE TARGETS:**

NJ: @govmurphy *and* @njgov

NY: @nygovcuomo

PA: @governortomwolf

DE: @johncarneyde

**HASHTAGS:** (Use the first one in all posts.)

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**Sample signs and images:**

**Governors:  
VOTE NO LNG!  
Stop Gibbstown  
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**NEW JERSEY  
SAYS  
WE DON'T WANT  
GIBBSTOWN LNG EXPORT!**

**#DRBCNoLNG**

**NEW YORK  
SAYS  
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**#DRBCNoLNG**

**PENNSYLVANIA**  
**SAYS**  
**WE DON'T WANT**  
**GIBBSTOWN LNG EXPORT!**

**#DRBCNoLNG**

**DELAWARE**  
**SAYS**  
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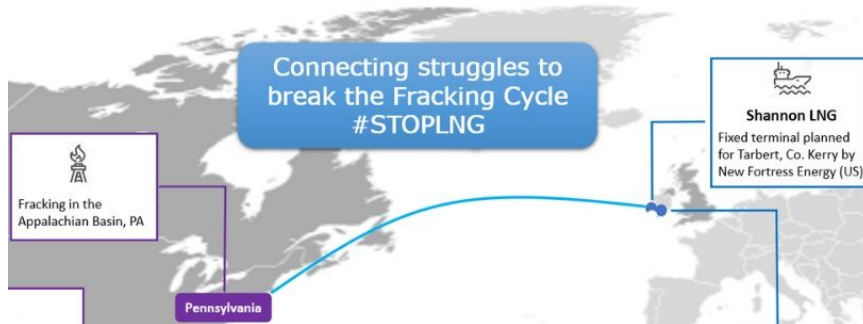
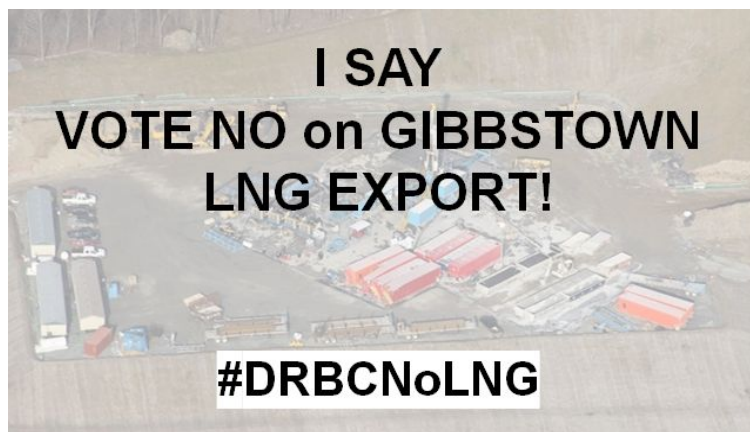


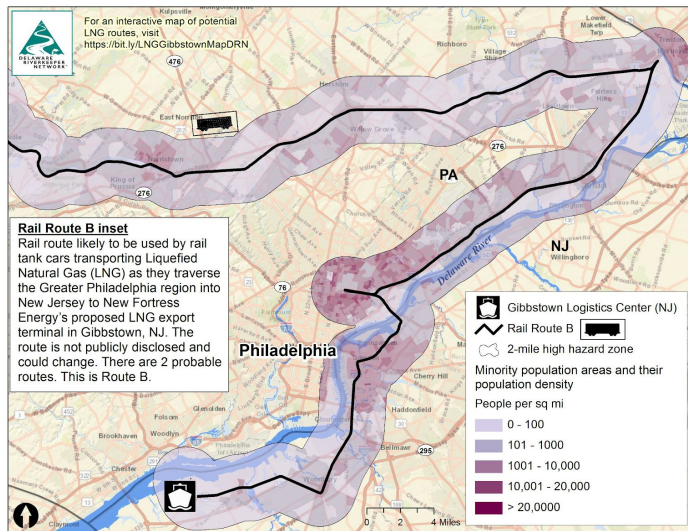
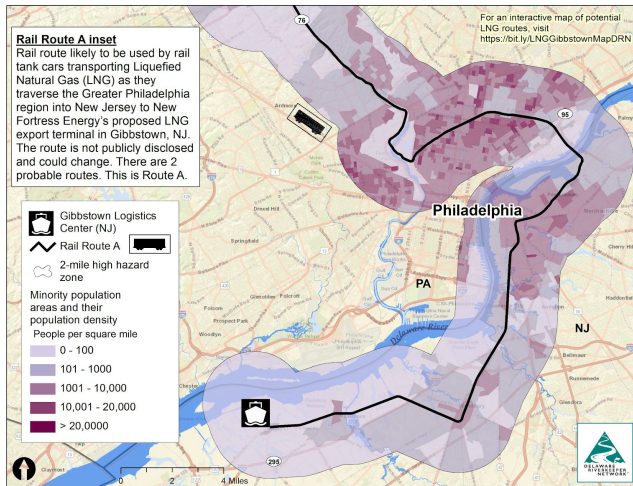
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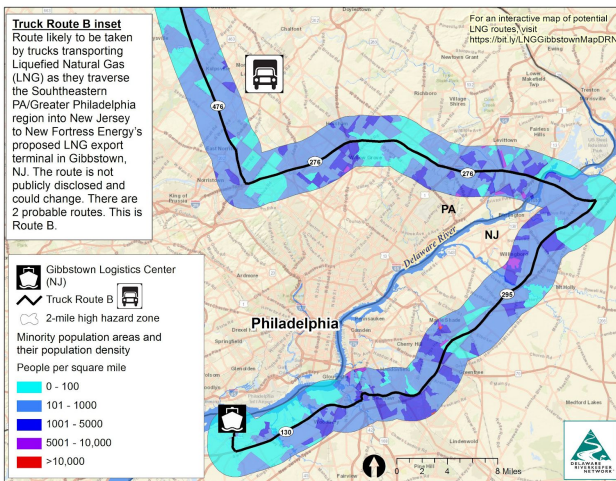
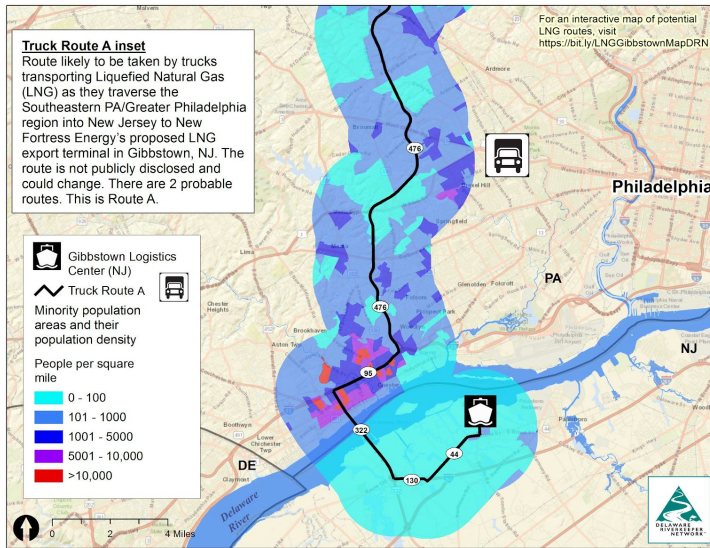


**STOP A DISASTROUS  
LNG PROJECT ON THE DELAWARE RIVER!**

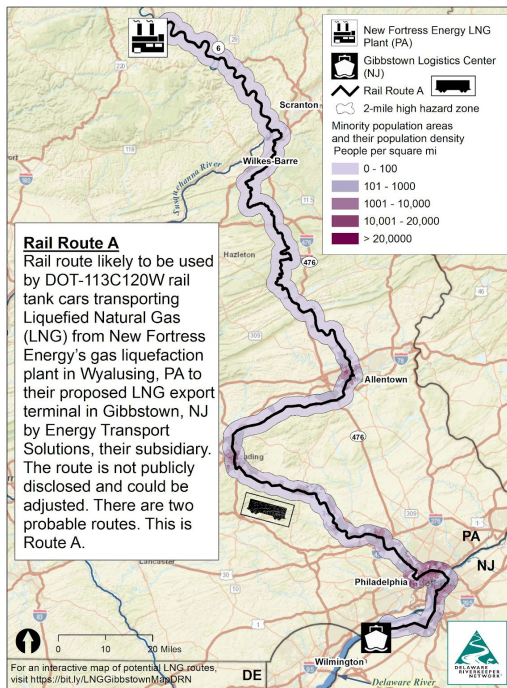
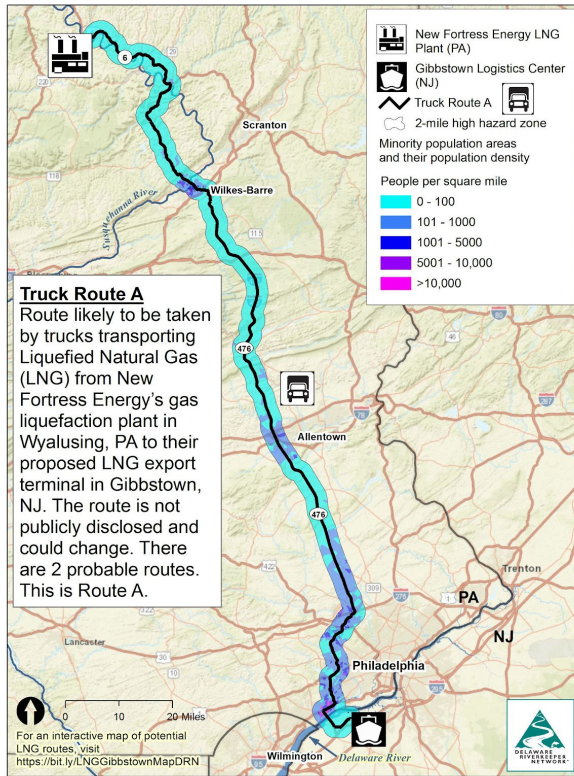












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## FRIDAY, 12/4 PETITION DELIVERY

It's not too late to sign the petition to the DRBC Commissioners, which will be delivered today. Sign the petition by 10 am this morning and we will include it in the delivery we are making of all the petitions and other expressions of opposition we have been gathering through our municipal resolution and sign-on letter campaigns. At the last DRC meeting in September, the approval for this project was delayed and a "stay" put in place that has prevented construction. We spoke with a unified voice to DRBC for that meeting and will do the same when we submit everything in a big package to each of them today. We'll be doing media/press outreach for this too. Our goal is for them to hear us loud and clear as they consider their vote at the DRBC Business Meeting December 9.

Go here to sign the petition:

<https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/petition-to-stop-fracked-gas-export-on-the-delaware-river>

The Delaware River Basin Commission will hold its next Business Meeting on Dec. 9. This is a virtual meeting due to COVID. The agenda for the meeting states that "**possible**" (their emphasis) action could be taken on the proposed Gibbstown LNG Export Terminal Dock 2. We do not know for certain – they could vote to disapprove, approve, or they may continue the "stay". It's even possible they will say nothing about it if their review is still underway.

Unfortunately, the way the meeting is set up there is no way for the public to speak at the meeting prior to the actions the Commissioners will take on the various proposed permits, including Gibbstown Dock, and you have to wait through their regular business, which takes about an hour usually. However, if you can sign up to attend the meeting as a witness, lots of people attending this virtual platform ("Go to Meeting") will make a statement in itself, even if you can't speak or be seen. The number counter will go up as we all join the meeting. **THE PUBLIC WILL BE WATCHING!**

The link to the DRBC web page provides the zoom link to join their meeting Dec. 9. It says:

To Participate in the Business Meeting:

- Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/97554950658>
- Webinar ID: 975 5495 0658
- iPhone one-tap: [+13017158592](tel:+13017158592)..97554950658#
- Telephone: +1 301-715-8592

DRBC's website post for the meeting is: <https://www.nj.gov/drbc/meetings/upcoming/index.html>.

If you would like to sign up to speak at the public comment session DRBC holds AFTER the meeting – you can do that up to 5pm, Dec. 8. This is an opportunity to comment (for about 2 minutes) on whatever happens at the meeting. The session is filled already with speakers but you can join the wait list by going here - spots usually do open up (they only call on only those who registered):

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/business-meeting-of-the-delaware-river-basin-commission-tickets-127012843835>.