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Comment: Hydraulic Fracturing as an extraction method for natural gas does NOT promote 'clean' or 'sustainable' energy. It will destroy farm and forest lands. It will create a mono economic culture that has been proven time and again to lower standard of living, and boost alcoholism, drug use, crime, and chronic ill health. The chemicals and toxins that will be flooded into the ground water can never be removed and all NY citizens will have to live with the ill effects for decades to come. NY state has the capacity to create wind, solar and hydraulic power. These are areas we must explore and exploit. Fossil fuels are not the future, and hydro frakking is good only for Halliburton and assorted oil and gas companies. Ban it now. Set a precedent for other states, and other nations.