

Water – For families and farmers, not fracking!
Act – Protect YOUR private property rights!
Tell – Insist your legislators serve YOU!
Every – Idahoan matters, leased or not!
Rights – To due process and transparency!

C.A.I.A. – OUR POSITION:



We are *greatly* concerned about the impacts of oil and gas (O&G) development in our communities.

Future fracking will place tremendous demands on our most precious resource – ***OUR WATER!*** Our farmers already face water calls and early shut-offs. In the future our very lifeblood – our irrigation water – will be sold to the highest bidder. Who wins the bidding war? Farmers or out-of-state Frackers...?

Disposal of the ***TOXIC, CARCINOGEN-LADEN WASTE*** created by O&G drilling and fracking will eventually be done by Class II injection wells (Idaho is currently seeking approval). The science is in: Class II injection wells are causing earthquakes around the globe (just look at what's happening in Oklahoma)!

However, the most egregious issue is the wholesale ***demolition of private property rights*** through State 'ownership' of the 'right' to ***FORCE*** oil & gas development on communities. This 'forced pooling' process, which industry refers to as 'integration', literally ***FORCES*** mineral rights leasing and ***FORCES*** industrial activities on unwilling property owners... in America!

THE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO DEVELOP THEIR MINERALS (OIL/GAS) ARE GIVEN PRIORITY STATUS IN STATE LAW. Yet even *they* have no choice as to what happens on their property, because the State has *mandated* that the production of the resource *everywhere* – private leases *and* State mineral leases – *be maximized*.

It inflicts harm upon homeowners by placing them at risk of being FRACKED and at risk of being in technical default of their mortgage loans and of possible cancellation of their insurance policies!

OUR FAMILIES HAVE A RIGHT TO CLEAN AIR AND WATER. WE SHOULD HAVE A VOICE IN WHAT HAPPENS IN OUR COMMUNITIES – SOMETHING THE STATE SEEMS INTENT ON TAKING AWAY!

URGENT! TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! – Senate Bill 1339, SOON to be voted on by the full Senate, strips due process from Gas & Oil permitting and turns ‘integration’ (FORCED leasing) into a rubber-stamp procedure by Idaho Dept. of Lands staff.
[SEE: <https://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2016/S1339Bookmark.htm>]

PLEASE WRITE TO ALL IDAHO SENATORS NOW! (The House is next...)

SAMPLE LETTER TO SENATORS PROTESTING SB 1339:

“Honorable Senators,

“I am STRONGLY opposed to your passing SB 1339 when it does nothing to protect the private property rights of those who will be force-pooled, but strips the right to due process from them. Mineral rights owners can have their rights developed WITHOUT allowing gas developers access to the surface property of their unwilling neighbors – but only if YOU protect the rights of ALL citizens. “Please vote NO on SB 1339 and direct that this law be worded so that mineral owners who do NOT want industrial activity on the land they own are protected from the choices of those who do.”

[To find legislators’ contact info: <http://legislature.idaho.gov/howtocontactlegislators.htm>
[OR CUT AND PASTE ALL THEIR EMAILS FROM THIS LIST:
<http://dontfrackidaho.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/idaho-legislators-emails.doc>

POINTS FROM C.A.I.A.’s APPRAISAL OF SB 1339:

- Greatly expedites the approval of applications at the expense of those being affected by: A) insufficient time to research options or contact lenders and insurance companies, B) to prepare a legal case, or C) being allowed to have someone else – or an organization like C.A.I.A. – provide guidance or representation for the affected persons.
- Expediting also prevents IDL staff from having time to verify the accuracy of applications – and *forces* them to approve them even if not entirely correct.
- Makes virtually *all* pertinent information about *all* applications secret until wells are actually drilled – so no one will *know* if the applications are accurate, nor will anyone be able to verify that industry has actually leased the required 55% of the mineral rights acreage!
- Makes *law* based on *one* company’s verbal promise not to send too many applications to IDL at once – and *forces* IDL to either rubber-stamp them or to spend taxpayers’ money on hiring hearing officers for any appeals by citizens.
- Prevents legal ‘discovery’ – in other words, industry will be able to say anything they choose to, and you can’t see it... or use it in your defense in a hearing. This is a BLATANT violation of due process and cannot stand!

SB 1339 is GREAT for *industry* (and perhaps a few large mineral rights owners)...
(Will \$\$ going to State coffers pay for regulation, cleanup, counties’ road damages, etc.?
How about lost property values, loss of work because of people’s ill health and ...?
Not based on *other* oil & gas states’ experience!)
...And is *bad* for most of Idaho’s people and quality of life.
WE’RE ABOUT TO BE FRACKED!

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