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**Environment & Youth Leaders Will Be Gathering to Urge
New Jersey Leadership to Stop PennEast Pipeline Approvals
From State & DRBC**

Trenton, NJ – In the wake of the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that gives private companies eminent domain authority over state property rights for FERC approved natural gas infrastructure projects, environmental leaders, youth leaders, impacted residents and community members will be gathering in person to urge New Jersey elected leaders to use their power to prevent approval of the PennEast Pipeline.

Who: Delaware Riverkeeper Network, Environment New Jersey, Sourlands Conservancy, Berks Gas Truth, NJ Sierra Club, Clean Water Action, Hunterdon Sunrise Movement, concerned and impacted youth and residents.

What: Gathering to urge New Jersey elected leaders to use their power to stop approval of the fracked gas PennEast Pipeline which still needs New Jersey Clean Water Act approvals and approval from the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC). Both New Jersey and the federal government have decisionmaking authority at the DRBC, along with PA, DE and NY. Only PA has made clear its support of PennEast.

Where: Trenton State House, Annex Courtyard, 131-137 W. State Street, Trenton, NJ. On-street parking is available. Directions for Capitol Complex parking can be found at: <https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/13Budget/Directions/StateHouseAnnex-A.asp>

When: Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 12:00pm until approximately 12:45.

Why: With the June 29, 2021 U.S. Supreme Court ruling in *PennEast Pipeline Co. v. New Jersey* authorizing FERC certificate holders to condemn all necessary rights-of-way, whether owned by private parties or States, the way has been paved for PennEast to proceed with the New Jersey portion of its project and to urge swift action regarding outstanding needed permits and approvals from NJ, PA, DRBC and the U.S. Army Corps. Leading opponents feel that strong leadership from New Jersey is

needed to both reject NJ state approvals, but also to secure the support of the federal government, Delaware and New York who all have decisionmaking authority at the DRBC.
New Jersey elected leaders Governor Phil Murphy, Senator Cory Booker, NJState Senator Kip Bateman, Congressman Tom Malinowski, and Congresswoman Bonnie Watson-Coleman have all been invited to both speak and listen.

Photo opportunities: Speakers & attendees with signs.

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