

Urgent Flood of Emails Needed to Federal Rep opposing Pinelands Pipeline!

This Friday, January 10 the Pinelands Commission will vote on whether or not to allow the massive new South Jersey Gas pipeline through the New Jersey Pinelands Forest Area, violating a ban on this kind of destructive pipeline and ruining irreplaceable, invaluable and unique Pinelands forest assets. The fight to save the Pinelands from this intrusion has been hard fought and it is now down to the wire. The vote can go either way.

That's where you come in. Please take a moment to speak to the federal representative on the Commission to say "Vote NO on the South Jersey Pipeline". The Dept. of the Interior's representative works for the National Park Service (NPS) and represents the federal government, - the Dept. of the Interior - on the Commission. These agencies were instrumental in forming the Pinelands reserve 35 years ago. They need to know you want these precious resources protected, for REAL. The federal representative could hold the deciding vote – let's make sure they hear from us in a BIG way.

If you can make it to the meeting Friday, go here for details – the more people who stand up for the Pinelands on Friday, the more likely the unlawful Memorandum of Agreement will be voted down:
<http://www.delawariverkeeper.org/about/event.aspx?id=470>

Please email Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior, and the NPS NOW to urge the federal rep to oppose the Pinelands pipeline and vote NO on this historic vote.

You can send a letter by clicking the sample below or write your own in the template provided. But please do this TODAY since the vote is on Friday.

Thank you for protecting the 1 million acres of Pinelands and the pristine aquifer and habitats it holds!

Dear Secretary Jewell,

The U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service have worked hard to protect the 1 million acres of precious natural and cultural assets of the Pinelands. You have been instrumental over the last three and half decades in the Commission's efforts to ensure the Pinelands remain intact and its aquifers clean.

I am writing to you today to ask that the federal representative to the Pinelands Commission vote NO on the South Jersey Gas pipeline that is proposed to cut through the Pinelands Forest Area to the BL England Plant. The Pinelands' precious and irreplaceable water and habitats are at stake here.

The proposed Memorandum of Agreement violates the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan's prohibition of this type of damaging infrastructure. There are alternatives available. This project is not necessary or wise. The Pinelands Commission must protect and honor the Pinelands' assets.

I and my family ask you to please cast the federal vote opposing the pipeline and the MOA and supporting the communities and the natural values of the unique and irreplaceable Pinelands.

Thank you for your consideration.