



## OBAMA'S EPA CONCEALS EVIDENCE OF DRINKING WATER CONTAMINATION

Time and again, the Environmental Protection Agency has uncovered evidence that clearly links shale gas extraction to drinking water contamination -- then bowed to industry pressure and retreated from its own findings.

- In late 2011, EPA found fracking chemicals, including known carcinogens, in drinking water supplies in Pavillion, WY. It warned residents not to drink the water -- then caved to industry pressure and turned the investigation over to the state of Wyoming, which claimed it would continue the study, but with industry funding.
- After finding toxic heavy metals and methane in private water wells in Dimock, PA, EPA aborted the investigation. Despite official assurances that it was safe, EPA field workers reportedly warned residents not to drink their well water.
- In late 2010 EPA ordered Range Resources to take immediate action to protect homeowners whose water supplies had been contaminated with dangerously high levels of methane. The regional EPA administrator who authorized the action was subsequently forced out of his job, and the agency dropped its action against the driller without explanation.

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#### ***WY Groups Call Foul as EPA Hands Fracking Groundwater Contamination Investigation Over to State***

<http://ecowatch.com/2013/06/21/groups-call-foul-epa-hands-fracking-contamination-investigation-to-state/>

#### ***EPA's Abandoned Wyoming Fracking Study One Retreat of Many***

<http://www.propublica.org/article/epas-abandoned-wyoming-fracking-study-one-retreat-of-many>

#### ***Why Would EPA Hide Info on Fracking & Water Contamination in Dimock?***

[http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/ksinding/why\\_would\\_epa\\_hide\\_info\\_on\\_fra.html](http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/ksinding/why_would_epa_hide_info_on_fra.html)

#### ***EPA probe demands more water testing in Texas***

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