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Pipeline Open House Saturday to Speak to Governor Wolf Impacted Communities Primed With Questions Wonder if the Governor Will Attend But Plan to Speak Out Regardless

Bucks County, PA: Governor Wolf has been invited to attend an open house planned for April 1st at Palisades High School in Bucks County to answer questions from impacted communities about his policies on pipeline infrastructure. The invitation, sent on March 16th, read in part:

Communities across Pennsylvania impacted by shale gas pipeline and infrastructure projects

We have seen as other interest groups have had a chance to communicate with you and your high level officials directly and are hoping for our own opportunity. To that end, we are inviting you to a series of open houses in the communities that are being most threatened and impacted by proposed shale gas pipelines and infrastructure. We hope you will attend and give us an opportunity to be heard, and to hear you as well.

There will be an open mic for all who want to ask a question of the Governor about his pipeline and infrastructure policies, or to make testimony about their concerns.

"The Governor has held listening sessions, task forces and meetings of all kinds to hear from the industry, but impacted communities have not had a chance yet to be heard. We hope the Governor will accept our invitation and take this opportunity to hear from, and speak to, the communities most hard hit by his pipeline policies. Whether or not the Governor shows up in person, his likeness will be there and it will all be caught on video for the Governor and the whole world to see," said Maya van Rossum, the Delaware Riverkeeper, head of the Delaware Riverkeeper Network who helped organize the event.

"The ban on fracking just enacted by Maryland's legislature and Republican governor shines a spotlight on Harrisburg's support of fracking in our state. Governor Wolf has not only supported the continued devastation to our communities and natural resources fracking creates, but has done everything in his power to expand the customer base for natural gas, thereby ensuring even more harm. His constituents have lots of questions for him. They've had them for years. They deserve answers and we want to make sure they finally get them," said Karen Feridun, founder of Berks Gas Truth.

"Governor Wolf continues to incentivize fracked gas and pipeline infrastructure build-out throughout our Commonwealth, resulting in the irreparable devastation of our home state. The gas companies have unfairly exploited our beautiful state's natural resources, resources which belong to present and future generations. This is not the legacy we should be leaving our children." Arianne Elinich, Bucks County Concerned Citizens Against the Pipelines.

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