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***Press/Public Announcement***  
**Delaware Riverkeeper Network Premieres New Installment  
of Shale Truth Interview Series**  
**“Examining the destruction caused by natural gas pipelines”**

*Bristol, PA* - On Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network will present a new series of interview segments as part of the Shale Truth Interview series. Over the next few weeks, landscape restoration specialist Leslie Sauer will discuss the environmental destruction caused by shale gas pipeline construction and steps that can be taken to reduce the impacts of pipeline installations in those circumstances when, despite any efforts to challenge a pipeline’s need or impacts, a project does in fact go through.

According to Ms. Sauer, the damage caused by pipeline construction is actually increasing with each pipeline installation. She says the areas damaged by installations go well beyond the rights of way for pipelines.

**Delaware Riverkeeper Maya van Rossum** said, “We have seen evidence firsthand of how pipeline companies destroy pristine wetlands and old growth forests. These areas are home to sensitive wildlife and play an important role in protecting the water supply in the Delaware River watershed. Pipelines also damage sustainable jobs, ecotourism, recreation and the quality of life in neighboring or host communities. And pipelines create a new and grotesque incentive for increased fracking and drilling at a time when we should be turning away from fossil fuels and toward sustainable energy choices.”

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network is providing these interviews to offer a truly informed perspective on the impacts of shale gas development. The natural gas industry is spending millions of dollars on advertisements in an effort to sell shale gas as a cleaner and cheaper energy source; however, “this series demonstrates the fallacies and out-and-out lies the industry

is touting in order to further their industry which is doing so much harm to so many, including future generations,” added van Rossum.

The videos can be seen on the Delaware Riverkeeper Network’s YouTube Channel every Wednesday at <http://bit.ly/ShaleTruth>.

Over the last six weeks of the Shale Truth series, oil industry expert Arthur Berman discussed the real supply and price of shale gas in this country.

Future interviews to be seen on the Shale Truth series include Cornell University Professor Anthony Ingraffea. Dr. Ingraffea has debunked industry claims that shale gas is a cleaner alternative fuel source similar to solar and wind power; he will discuss the true pollution load from shale gas operations.

The Delaware Riverkeeper Network, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit environmental organization, has been working since 1988 throughout the four states of the Delaware River watershed: New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware. With more than 12,000 members, the Delaware Riverkeeper Network is vital force in the Watershed, working to ensure the rich and healthy future that can only exist with a clean, healthy and free-flowing river system.

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