SAY NO TO FRACKING IN GEELONG

Fracking is a technique where rock is fractured by a injecting a highly pressurized liquid to mine natural gas. Chemicals and sand suspended in water are injected into a well to create cracks in the deep-rock through which natural gas will flow more freely.

Fracking can pollute underground water from leakages, air with silica sand dust, create 24/7 noise and reduce the value of our homes. We are sitting over a large rich gas field and PEP 163 (see map below) is an exploration license where fracking may be allowed when/if the moratorium on fracking in Victoria is lifted by the State Government next year. But we can prevent fracking here.

The Geelong City Council is taking submissions to find the community's views on fracking. Write a letter (short or long) and post to: Onshore Gas Submission, Manager Environment and Waste Services, City of Greater Geelong, PO Box 104, GEELONG 3220 – or email a few lines to rthomas@geelongcity.vic.gov.au – or drop a note in designated boxes at customer service centres. Remember to include your name and address. You can also do it online at www.geelongaustralia.com.au/yoursay – You can simply say you are opposed to fracking in our area. Or find inspiration on www.frackfreegeelong.org/yoursay Every submission counts. Closing date for submissions is Friday 26 September 2014.

Come to a free public meeting on fracking in Geelong to be held at:

Topic: Onshore gas extraction in City of Greater Geelong

Chair: Michael Martinez, CEO, Diversitat

Time: Thursday 18 September 2014, at 7:00–9:00pm

Place: Manifold Heights Baptist Church (Corner Shannon Ave and Volum St.) **Speaker information:** and more details on **www.climatesafety.info/gasrush**

For more information go to www.frackfreegeelong.org or email frackfreegeelong@gmail.com

