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Topic: : Natural gas drilling accident along the Loyalsock?

Re: Natural gas drilling accident along the Loyalsock?

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Quote:

TimMurphy wrote:

Dear Board,

Bentonite is a naturally occurring clay that is grayish-green in color. Drop a handful in a bucket of water and that is exactly what it will look like. With no flow it's not going to flush quickly but like the Farmer said it's not a big deal.

Regards,

Tim Murphy 😊

You're absolutely correct, and as an example, take a look at the Erie tribs after a good rain. That green color they pick up, which we anglers use to judge for optimal steelhead conditions, is the same sort of issue, i.e. suspended clay.

However, the big difference is you don't normally see suspended clay in the Loyalsock like that. And if there is bentonite there, what other compounds or traces of chemicals are also present?

The sky probably isn't completely falling in Sullivan County, but its also not a non-issue...