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Re: Natural gas drilling accident along the Loyalsock?

Author: : FarmerDave

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salmonoid wrote:

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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...

Looks to me like there were traces of H₂O. Hey, technically it is also a chemical.

It's a whole lot easier to win your battles when you pick them wisely. But you guys are mostly swinging at windmills or however the saying goes.

I'd imagine the extremely low water conditions compounded the appearance.

I am not saying it is a non issue. In fact I said the contractor should be cited. However, exaggerating it and making false claims about it actually damages you stance and makes the actual issue much less of an issue.

Sal, I'm not saying you in particular are doing that. But other were. I just chose to attach to your response out of convenience.