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Topic: : Tell Pennsylvania Representatives that Anglers Oppose House Bill 1576

Re: Tell Pennsylvania Representatives that Anglers Oppose House Bill 1576

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Quote:

salmonoid wrote:

Other than a reference to Pennsylvania as one of the states with coal plants to be shut down, where is the connection to mussels?

If there is a specific plant that was shut down, I'd be curious which one. Just like the Massauga in AZ absurdity should be called out in our politicians, so should tilting at mussel-shutdown windmills (er, plants).

I understand your point that coal plants are being shutdown, but it doesn't necessarily follow that invoking mussels is a smokescreen for that happening, with this bill. In other words, coal plants being shutdown by the EPA doesn't preclude there being a mussel induced plant shutdown.

The quote in our paper from one of the reps who sponsored the bill was that he had been offered no assurances by Republicans that a floor vote would even be called. Committee vote was 16 for, 8 against.

No connection to mussels, only the real reasons for the plant shutdown.

I have not been able to find a direct relationship between a power plant closing and mussels. I have found [this](#) article about a plant closing in Mr Pyle's district.

The EPA is not shutting down these plants. The EPA is saying "you have to pollute the air less". The energy companies are saying "It will be cheaper to build gas plants and shutdown the coals plants than to make the coal plants cleaner".

Finally, even if there was a mussel problem for a power plants, it would only be a small part of the problems that coal plants are facing today.