

# Call-a-thon: Taking matters into our own hands

## Tactics

- Be persistent. Be genuine. Be upset if that's what you're feeling. But be focused and on point. Give voice to your concerns, and make sure someone is listening on the other end.
- Atkinson's office may try to unload you onto the BLM. You do not want or need to speak to the BLM. They cannot withdraw consent. Atkinson can withdraw consent. We know this. You want to talk to Kathleen Atkinson.

## Step 1

Call Kathleen Atkinson, Eastern Regional Forester: 414-297-3765

## Step 2

State your demand:

Demand Atkinson withdraw consent to allow fracking in the Wayne. Precedent for such a decision exists, as Anne Carey withdrew consent in 2011. Stop sacrificing our Wayne! Stop destroying Appalachia!! Stop the auction!!!

## Step 3

State the reasons for your demand:

Before allowing fracking, WNF is required by law to do one of the following two things:

### 1. Update its Forest Plan:

According to the Forest Service, "The forest plan revision process is grounded in science and public input, and seeks to deliver stronger protections for forests, water, and wildlife while supporting the economic vitality of our rural communities." This is exactly why they should revise the Forest Plan.

### 2. Complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS):

An EIS is a requirement specified in the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. This legislation states that actions "significantly affecting the quality of the human environment" warrant the creation of an EIS. The EIS is then used to inform decisions—what should or should not be allowed within public lands. Fracking public lands requires an EIS—by law!

## Bonus

Call Sherrod Brown: 202-224-2315

- Demand he represent all of his constituents, and call him out for defending oil and gas as environmentally safe and economically productive.
- Demand that he put pressure on Kathleen Atkinson to withdraw consent and all parcels.
- Make sure his office has Atkinson's number.

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