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Application ID: 0-9999-00181/00009 - Water Quality Certification
Application ID: 0-9999-00181/00010 - Freshwater Wetlands
Application ID: 0-9999-00181/00011 - Water Withdrawal
Application ID: 0-9999-00181/00012 - Excavation and Fill in Navigable Waters
Application ID: 0-9999-00181/00013 - Stream Disturbance

Dear Mr. Tomasik,

A Protection of Waters Permit is required for disturbing the bed or banks of a stream with a classification of AA, A or B, or with a classification of C with a standard of (T) or (TS). The proposed Constitution Pipeline will have adverse impacts on designated high quality streams, trout streams, and protected streams. In our area these include multiple trout streams (T) and spawning sites (TS) on Charlotte Creek, Delaware County.

The New York State Council of Trout Unlimited, consisting of 36 Chapters and over 7,600 members across New York State, has a keen interest in the preservation of New York's fishing habitats which include cold-water streams - the spawning grounds for trout. Constitution Pipeline crosses numerous waterways, creeks, and rivers, many of which harbor native trout and other species of special interest to conservationists. The pipeline will adversely affect fishing and recreational benefits in the region.

Please do what is necessary to protect our water, streams, and trout. In light of the damage this project will inevitably cause to our waterways and trout populations, you must deny "Constitution" pipeline the 401 Certificate or convene Adjudicatory Hearings for the project.

Sincerely,

Signature

Name

Address