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League Launches Radio Campaign Calling on Governor McCrory to say NO to Forced Pooling

Raleigh- Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League (BREDL) has launched an ad campaign urging Governor McCrory to say NO to forced pooling. The radio ads will run through Wednesday August 28, 2013 on WPTF am stations 680 and 850. Ad copy below:

ATTENTION NORTH CAROLINA LANDOWNERS

Do you want your neighbors, gas companies and the State to tell you what to do with your property or when you should sell your gas? The State is deciding RIGHT NOW whether to allow Forced Pooling. Call the Governor NOW and tell him that North Carolinians don't want to be told what to do with their property! Call: [\(800\) 662-7952](tel:8006627952)

BREDL organizer Therese Vick said: "Regardless of what side of the fence you stand on concerning hydraulic fracturing, this is just plain wrong, and flies in the face of the Constitution. We are asking Governor McCrory to stop forced pooling in North Carolina."

The Compulsory Pooling Study Group meets this Wednesday, August 28 to discuss their draft report (link here: http://portal.ncdenr.org/c/document_library/get_file?uuid=7be9a2bd-fe8f-4910-a864-5d35a721ea4b&groupId=8198095), which is likely to be presented to the Mining and Energy Commission on September 6, 2013. Several different scenarios from the report using Lee County as an example show that no matter how a drilling unit is formed, the few will control the many. For example, one scenario (see map below) shows that the owners of 30 parcels of land could control what happens to the owners of 113 parcels.

Contact Therese Vick to schedule an interview or a meeting presentation for your community. Many environmental issues including property rights are available for discussion.

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