



*“The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic, and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania’s public natural resources are the common property of all of the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people.”*

-Article 1, Section 27 of the PA Constitution

**Butler Township has a drilling ordinance that allows shale-gas drilling in all zoning districts, including residential.**

Because the plans for the well pads satisfy all the requirements of the ordinance, the commissioners have no choice, **legally**, but to approve any well pads.

**The only way to possibly stop these well pads from being constructed is through a court injunction and a legal challenge of the township’s drilling ordinance.**

Section 27 Alliance of Butler Township is a concerned citizens’ group devoted to stopping residential drilling in Butler Twp. and making sure that the Butler Township Board of Commissioners enacts ordinances that

1. benefit **all** township residents and
2. defend all residents’ rights to clean air, pure water and a healthy environment.

We have retained the services of a legal firm and are exploring legal options to help us achieve our goals. Our lawyers have counseled us that the township’s drilling ordinance may well violate Article 1, Section 27 of the PA Constitution.

Butler Township now has **two** residential well pads in place, Schaffner Road near Highfield and Krendale well pad near the intersection of Rt 68 and Eberhart Road. **How many more will follow?**

As long as the ordinance allowing residential drilling is in place, the commissioners will keep approving residential well pads.

**STOP THE MADNESS!!!**

Pressure the commissioners to amend the drilling ordinance and join the legal fight to shut down the existing well pads!!!

Section 27 Alliance of Butler Township needs your support! We need assistance with organizing the residents of the township, educating them about the issues associated with shale-gas drilling – from health concerns to decreased property values – and donations to our legal fee fund. Visit our website [www.section27alliance.com](http://www.section27alliance.com) or Facebook page. Write to us at [section27alliancebcbt@gmail.com](mailto:section27alliancebcbt@gmail.com) and let us know what you can do. Donation checks can be made out to Section 27 Alliance BCBT and mailed to the address below.