

TOWN OF CALLAHAN, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION No. 2015-R31

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CALLAHAN OPPOSING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC AND ACIDIC FRACTURING FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS EXTRACTION IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ITS COASTAL WATERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS hydraulic and acidic fracturing or "fracking" has raised serious questions of damage to water sources and geologic stability in other areas of the country; and

WHEREAS the unique and interconnected nature of Florida's aquifers means fracking poses a potential for damaging events to the aquifer and limestone layer that could be beyond anyone's ability to mitigate the damage; and

WHEREAS such events could affect water and land far outside the confines of the area permitted for hydraulic and acidic fracturing of oil and gas extraction; and

WHEREAS Florida's aquifer is already compromised from its overuse and polluted by continued runoff.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CALLAHAN, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The Town Council of the Town of Callahan, Florida hereby declares its opposition to hydraulic and acidic fracturing or "fracking" for oil and gas extraction anywhere within the State of Florida or in the waters adjacent to the State.

Section 2. The Town Council requests that no State agency issue permits for such purpose and urge the Legislators of the State of Florida to pass legislation prohibiting hydraulic and acidic fracturing or "fracking" for oil and gas extraction anywhere within the State of Florida or in the waters adjacent to the State.

Section 3. The Town Council further requests the Governor of the State of Florida to sign such legislation.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED THIS 16 DAY OF November, 2015.


TOWN OF CALLAHAN, FLORIDA


Ken Bass, Town Council President

ATTEST:


Town Clerk

APPROVED:


Robert Rau, Mayor