

**What happens to the environment if you develop the new resource? What happens if you don't? Which is the more acceptable risk? ARE THESE THE ONLY OPTIONS?**

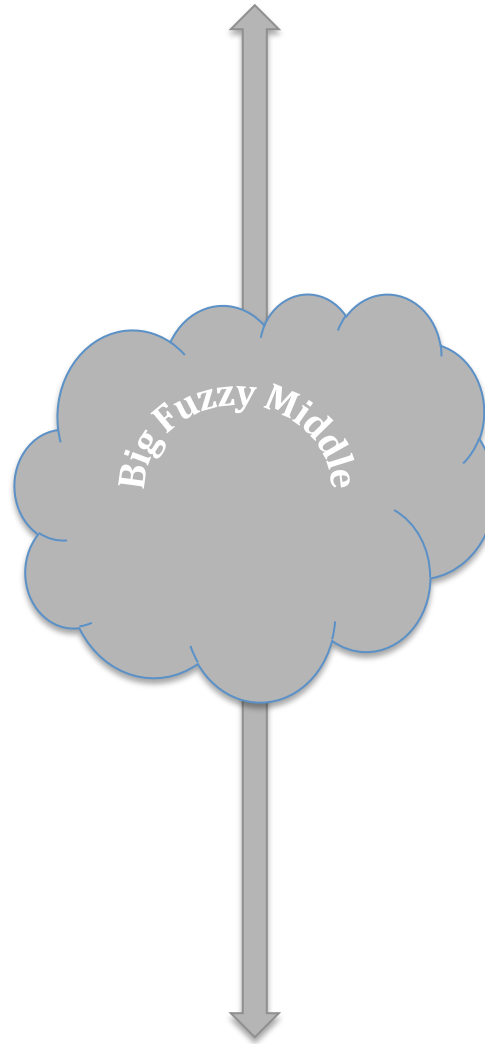
<b>Emergent Energy Issue</b>	<b><i>ACTION</i></b>	
	<b>Develop emergent energy resource</b>	<b>Don't develop emergent energy resource</b>
<b>The new energy resource is <u>more</u> damaging to the environment than the status quo.</b>		
<b>The new energy resource is <u>less</u> damaging to the environment than the status quo.</b>		

Favor/Accept/Pro

Skeptic/Reject/Con

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**MORE CREDIBLE**



**LESS CREDIBLE**

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*Credibility Spectrum with adaptations by Eric Pyle.*

Eric Pyle's Class's Marcellus Shale Credibility Spectrum:

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EPA

WVGES  
Geologists  
LOWV - PA

SUP  
Carrizo

Earthworks

County Supervisors

River Keepers

News

Bergton Residents

Concerned Citizens

Less

**EPA**= Environmental Protection Agency  
**WVGES**= West Virginia Geological and Economic Survey  
**LOWV-PA**= League of Women Voters  
**SUP**= Special Use Permit