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**STATEMENT FROM ULSTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE MIKE HEIN ON
LOWER ESOPUS STAKEHOLDER MEETING**

Today is the 100th day since the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYCDEP) decided, unilaterally, to begin releasing polluted water into the Lower Esopus. That is 100 days of the NYCDEP scoffing at the health and welfare of the people of Ulster County. Today's meeting with the NYCDEP was unfortunately more delaying tactics and more of the same misinformation that has dominated the conversation with them. Whether their decision to continue releasing polluted water down their waste channel is due to ignorance or arrogance it simply cannot continue.

I will continue to fight on behalf of the citizens of Ulster County until they stop the pollution of the Lower Esopus, evaluate the damage they have done and return the Lower Esopus to the pristine condition they found it in.

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