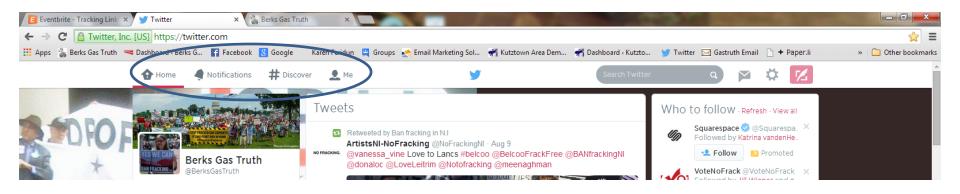


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Old Twitter Top Menu



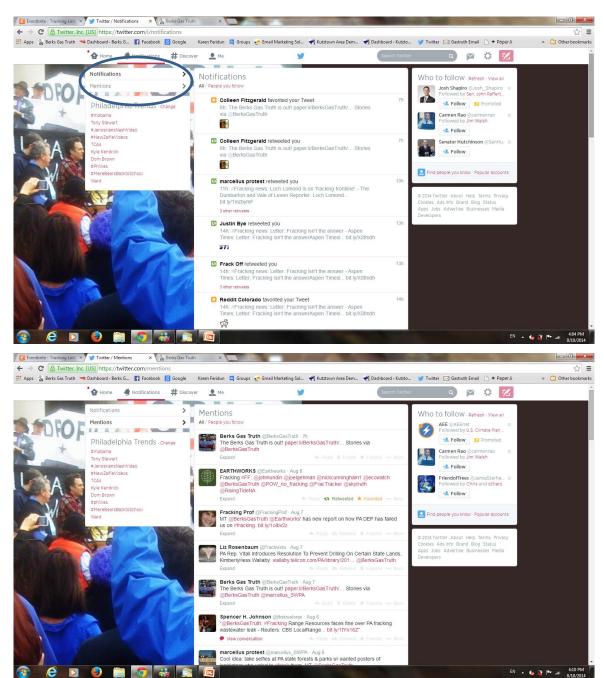
New Twitter Top Menu



Home (a.k.a. Timeline)



Notifications tell you your tweets have been retweeted or favorited.



Mentions list all of the tweets addressed to, mentioning, or cc'ing your handle.

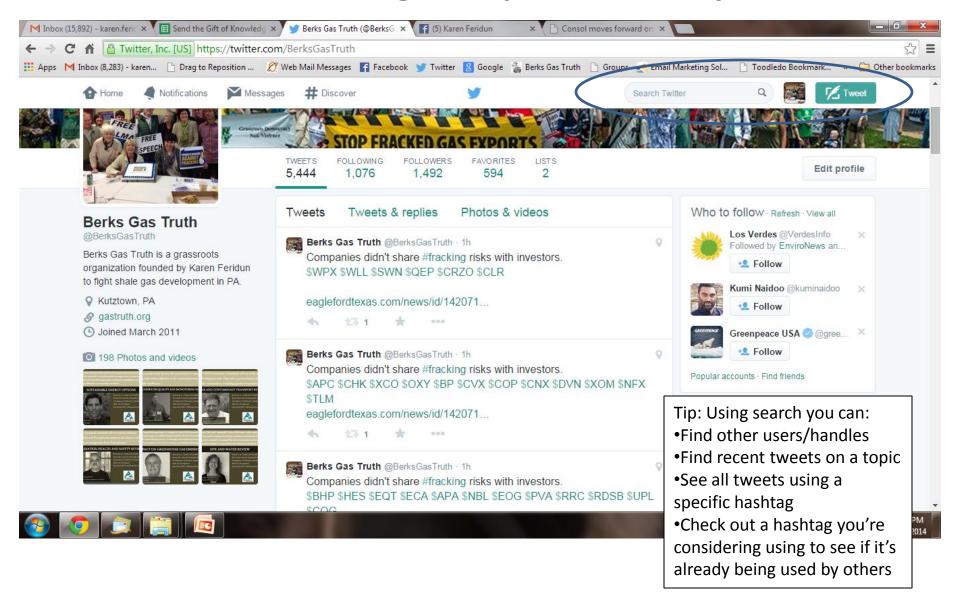
Discover



Me (Old name for now-unnamed page)



Search, Direct Messages, Options, Compose



Elements of a Tweet

- @ Always precedes the handle of the person you're addressing, mentioning, or cc'ing (e.g. @berksgastruth)
- # Always precedes the keyword (e.g. #fracking) or special tag you've created for an event or action (#twitter1014fractivists). You can search hashtags to see all tweets that include it.
- \$ Always precedes a ticker symbol for a company. This is an EXCELLENT way to go after a company's investors and catch the eye of financial press. (e.g. \$RRC Range Resources' ticker symbol)
- . Putting a period at the beginning of a tweet addressed to someone is used to trick Twitter into not restricting with whom the tweet is shared.

Links – You can add links to articles, photos, videos.

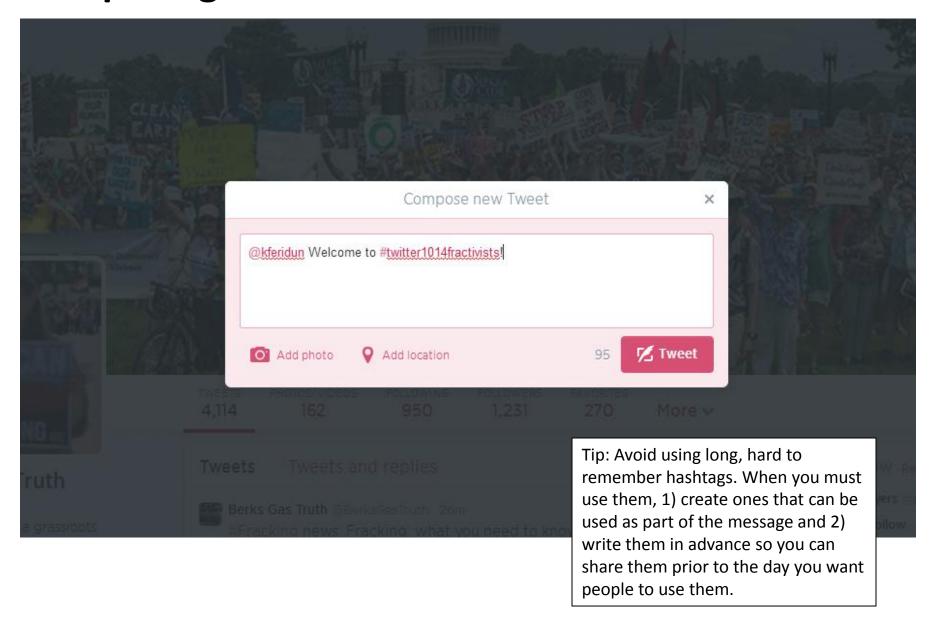
RT – Shorthand for Retweet. Best to use the retweet icon under a tweet. You may see manual retweets (e.g. RT @user their tweet).

MT – Shorthand for Modified Tweet. Used when you are altering the content of something you are retweeting. (e.g. MT modified tweet)

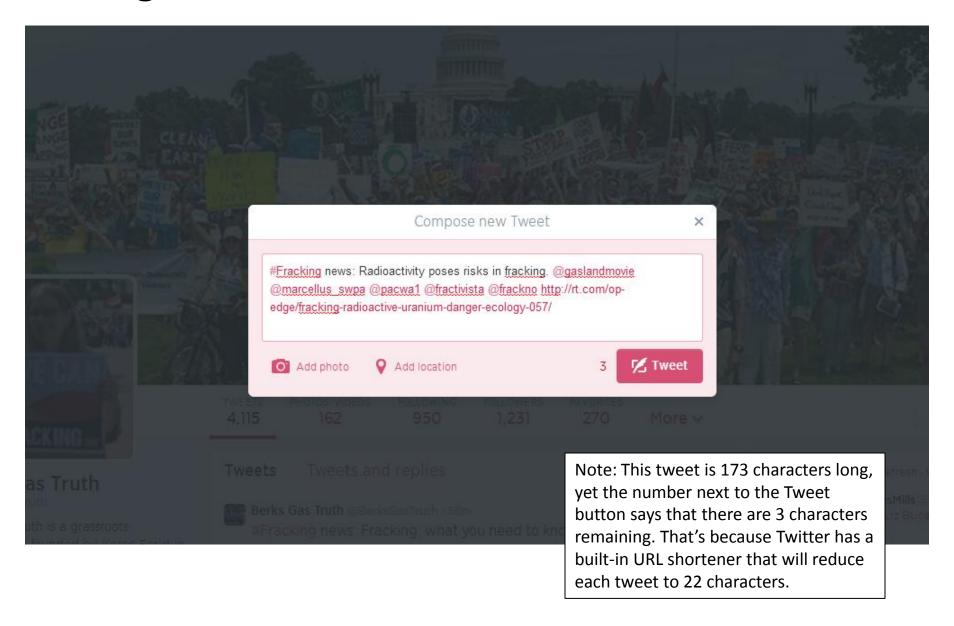
#FF – This hashtag is used on Fridays to suggest users others may want to follow. (e.g. this tweet from Earthworks, Fracking <u>#FF</u>: <u>@johnlundin @joelgehman @nickcunningham1</u> <u>@ecowatch @BerksGasTruth @POW no fracking @FracTracker @skytruth @RisingTideNA</u>)

These are the basic elements you'll see in many tweets. Don't overdo using these in tweets. You'll still see plenty of things you may not understand when you look at a tweet, abbreviations like IMHO or ICYMI. The language of Twitter is like the language of vanity license plates.

Composing a tweet



Adding Links to Tweets



Tactical Tweeting

Targeting Users:

- Elected Officials
- Candidates
- Bureaucrats
- Reporters
- Industry Groups
- Companies
- Investors
- Astroturf organizations

Spreading the Word:

- Trending
- Drowning out the other side's message
- Generating media for our message
- Sharing the latest research

Building the Movement:

- Building personal networks
- Bringing like-minded organizations into the movement

A Few Last Tips

125 is the new 140. Tweets are already pretty short at only 140 characters, but to make it easier for others to share them, best to keep them to 125 characters.

Escape character limits by using memes. Memes are those photos with inspirational, funny, or profound text added. They're often used by campaigns to keep a buzz going or promote events. Tweeting memes on Twitter means you're getting a much longer message across than you'd be able to share in 140 characters.

Promote your Facebook events on Twitter. Since there's no Twitter equivalent of an event page, make your FB events public and then share the event links when you tweet.

I must share this variation of the memes tip for Facebook users who can't post to certain pages. Start a FB event page, make up some title for the event – it can be the message you want to get out, like Vote NO on SB411. Then, use the meme that goes after that legislator as the event photo. Post the event link as a comment on their page and the event preview box will appear with your photo.

Finally, do prep work when you're planning a Twitter storm. Make note of your targets' handles. Write some sample tweets. Create the hashtags you'll want to use. Provide links to memes, websites you want people to share.

Useful Links & Handles

PA Legislators' Contact Info:

Senate: http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/member information/contact.cfm?body=S House: http://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/legis/home/member information/contact.cfm?body=H

Members of Congress on Twitter: https://twitter.com/cspan/lists/members-of-congress/members Cabinet Members on Twitter: https://twitter.com/gov/lists/us-cabinet/members Members of Parliament on Twitter: https://twitter.com/guardiannews/lists/members-of-parliament

Ticker Symbol Look-Up: http://www.marketwatch.com/tools/quotes/lookup.asp

- @BarackObama
- @WhiteHouse
- @FERC Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- @CLaFleurFERC Cheryl LaFleur, FERC Chairman
- @GinaEPA Gina McCarthy, EPA Administrator
- @ErnestMoniz Ernest Moniz, Energy Secretary
- @SecretaryJewell Sally Jewell, Interior Secretary
- @GovernorCorbett
- @PALegis
- @PASenate
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