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New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo speaks during a cabinet meeting in the Red Room at the Capitol in Albany, N.Y., on Tuesday, March 27, 2012. / ASSOCIATED PRESS

**SYRACUSE** — Gov. Andrew Cuomo says he'll make a decision on whether to allow shale gas fracking in New York before the 2014 election.

Cuomo says he's waiting for his state health commissioner, Dr. Nirav Shah, to [report](#) on his own health review. The Democratic governor told the [editorial board at the Post-Standard in Syracuse](#) on Wednesday that he had expected Shah's review to be finished by now, but it should be done in the next several weeks.

He made similar remarks in February.

Development has been on hold since the Department of [Environmental](#) Conservation began an environmental impact study of horizontal drilling and high-volume hydraulic fracturing in 2008.

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