

Board of Supervisors Report

Preserve Craig

Feb 5, 2026

MVP is not OVER: Mountain Valley pipeline has listed Craig County land as their first alternate site for a compressor station instead of the one in Elliston. They prefer Elliston but we are on the list. The site is near Gordon Jones farm.

Some of the impacts of natural gas compressor stations are noise, vibrations, methane leaks, and other gaseous leaks volatile organic compounds (benzene, toluene, and formaldehyde to mention just a few) resulting in health hazards for a 6-mile radius. This is something to keep on our radar.

We are working with the Town of New Castle to become a Dark Sky Certified community and exploring the possibility of a dark sky park at some location in the county.

Preserve Craig is excited to partner with the Craig County Public library for their Flight Path program for youth. There will be a community movie on bird migration and Preserve Craig is hosting a hike to the Raptor Observatory.

Preserve Craig will be matching all donations to Friends of Monroe for the Raptor Observatory for a two-month period. We are open to other partnerships in the effort since this place brings visitors from all over the world to our area.

If you have any input for Preserve Craig, please email perservecraig@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Marge Lewter, Chair