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Report to the Craig County Board of Supervisors April 2, 2026

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Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) Report

Preserve Craig is sharing information to citizens that MVP boost Compressor station is being planned in Elliston Va, and that Craig County is one of the alternate sites. The industrial site would be a 25-acre complex generating 24-hour noise and light pollution and emitting tons of pollutants upwind of the entire county. It is right in the middle of prime farm land in Sinking Creek Valley near the Giles County line. We appreciate that the board of supervisors immediately voted on a resolution against the compressor station site in Craig County. It is advised that the county file as a late intervenor with FERC and state that Craig County officials have never been notified by Mountain Valley Pipeline, nor have affected landowners. This process has been expedited by Preserve Craig's legal team.

Comments to Virginia DEQ regarding the Air Permit application #21808-1 will begin on April 7 and end on May 22, 2026 for a decision by September 20, 2026. All citizens are encouraged to make comments regarding the pollutants that will be emitted wherever a compressor station might land. We are working with POWHR (Protect Our Water, Heritage and Rights) to notify residents in a 3-mile radius of the alternative site of this potentially devastating plan.

Hanging Rock Raptor Observatory Report

Preserve Craig sponsored a hike to the Hanging Rock Observatory on March 8. We support the efforts to build a new facility and thankfully acknowledge the volunteers who hike up for bird counting even when the building is closed.

Night Sky Community

The town of New Castle will support an educational activity with volunteer amateur astronomers on April 17 at 7:30 pm at the Field of Dreams. We hope to inspire appreciation for our night sky and gain support to move forward on Dark Sky Certification for New Castle. Preserve Craig has printed yard signs that say, "This home proudly protects the night."

Preserve Craig sponsored a field trip to Green Bank Observatory on Feb 28 where ten members had a tour of the facility and then visited Beartown State Park a Dark Sky Certified Park.

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