

## If you love mountains and valleys but hate pipelines,

## JOIN THE FIGHT TO STOP MVP!

This summer in Appalachia, the fight against the infamous Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) continues as their construction and devastation intensifies. In early June, MVP made headlines across the so-called US, as congress approved a plan to fast track the pipeline as part of the "Debt Ceiling Package". After a federal appeals court ordered a brief halt to some of the construction (during which, as usual, much work was still happening), the supreme court officially cleared the way for the construction to resume in full this past July. This means that MVP's permits can no longer be challenged in court.

Good thing we weren't depending on the courts to stop the pipeline!

This federal push to have the MVP built is happening during yet another summer of unprecedented heatwaves and extreme weather events. With 2023 on track to be the hottest year ever recorded, disrupting this destructive projects remains as important as ever! These mountains, valleys, rivers and forests are home to so many. The Candy Darter, the Roanoke Log Perch, the Indiana Bat, the Long-Eared Bat, and the Tri Colored Bat are all being put at risk of losing their homes and at risk of extinction by the Mountain Valley Pipeline. Along the entire route, construction is disrupting and destroying delicate ecosystems and communities, inflicting irreparable harm on the region and having a global impact. It's an example of both government and corporate attempts to cling to fossil fuels, further ensuring the global devastation

of the climate crisis. Both the corporate support and the support from the United States Government for this pipeline shows a disregard for life that is a clear continuation of the cruelness, short-sightedness, and greed that the United Sates as a colonial project was founded on and continues to be fueled by.

This summer has seen a ramping up of resistance against the MVP. With all the attention earlier this summer shining a broader light on this irresponsible and unwanted extractive project, and the now intensifying push to finish it, the fight against the MVP has grown and is as strong as ever. Throughout July and August work stoppages have been steadily increasing, happening weekly and sometimes even twice a day. In addition to the locals and long-term resisters who have been tirelessly fighting this pipeline for over 5 years, affinity groups have come from near and far to stop the pipeline. Folks have walked on to work sites or locked themselves to equipment, halting machines in their tracks and sometimes stopping work for up to 8 hours. Because these disruptions have been in the form of both walk/hike-ons and lock downs, many of them have effectively stopped work for hours without any arrests!

We are inviting any interested and fired-up folks to join in our efforts! It will take many small and large acts of resistance to stop the MVP, so if you love the mountains, and valleys, but hate pipelines, bring yourself and your crew, get creative, be courageous, and help us stop the MVP.

May all those attempting to build this pipeline lose sleep at night as they lie awake wondering where we will appear next. May MVP's name go down in infamy and disgrace. May new growth burst up from the stumps of the fallen trees, and grow into mature forests. May each acre of torn earth be avenged. Doom to the pipeline!!!

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