



ABRA Update #13 – January 28, 2015

Over 7,500 Comments Filed with GWNF

More than 7,500 comments were filed with the George Washington National Forest by the deadline last week for views about the Atlantic Coast Pipeline application to survey; nearly 250 of the comments were substantive submissions. Several ABRA member organizations filed, including: Appalachian Mountain Advocates, Dominion Pipeline Monitoring Coalition, Highlanders for Responsible Development, Southern Environmental Law Center, Virginia Native Plant Society and Wild Virginia. The comments of these 6 organizations are posted on the ABRA website at http://abralliance.org/?page_id=8. Other ABRA members who wrote the GWNF and wish their comments posted on the ABRA website should send a pdf version to Dan Shaffer at dshaffer@abralliance.org.

February 13 Deadline For Comments About Pipeline Surveys Through The Monongahela and Jefferson National Forests

ABRA members are urged to file comments by the February 13 deadline for survey applications by the Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) in the Monongahela National Forest and by the Mountain Valley Pipeline in the Jefferson National Forest.

Information on the ACP filing with the Monongahela National Forest can be accessed at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/gwj/home/?cid=stelprd3824603>

Information on the Mountain Valley Pipeline submission and how to file comments on it is available at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/gwj/home/?cid=stelprd3827827>

A New Pipeline Song

Gene and Gayla Mills, who are members of Friends of Nelson, have recorded a new pipeline song that they have made available for your enjoyment and use. Check it out at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WBJOWOhxjA>.

In the News . . .

Dominion will report fourth-quarter earnings at February 9 analyst meeting

– PRNewswire, 1-21-15

<https://www.dom.com/corporate/news/news-releases/136973>

Forest Service seeks input on pipeline surveying in Jefferson National Forest

– Roanoke Times, 1/22/15

http://www.roanoke.com/news/local/forest-service-seeks-input-on-pipeline-surveying-in-jefferson-national/article_ec097238-bf45-502d-8841-dee07c0664a2.html

Pipeline basics: the players, the project – New Hampshire Union Leader, 1/24/15

<http://www.unionleader.com/article/20150125/NEWS05/150129432>

Law could lead to spike in electric rates – Staunton News-Leader, 1/25/15

<http://www.newsleader.com/story/news/2015/01/25/law-lead-spike-electric-bill/22327531/>

The politics of pipelines – Roanoke Times, 1/25/15

http://www.roanoke.com/opinion/editorials/our-view-the-politics-of-pipelines/article_d3b393ee-01a9-57ed-89f9-b2635a090020.html

Public Perplexed by Pipeline Bill – WVTF, Roanoke, 1/26/15

<http://wvtf.org/post/public-perplexed-pipeline-bill>

Electric shock adds fuel to natural-gas debate – Lowell Sun (MA), 1/26/15

http://www.lowellsun.com/opinion/ci_27393089/electric-shock-ads-fuel-natural-gas-debate

NextEra Energy Misses on Q4 Earnings, Revenues Impress – Nasdaq, 1/27/15

<http://www.nasdaq.com/article/nextera-energy-misses-on-q4-earnings-revenues-impress-analyst-blog-cm437106>

What utility execs think the future holds – Utility Dive, 1/27/15

<http://www.utilitydive.com/news/what-utility-execs-think-the-future-holds/356710/>