

# FORUM ON NATURAL GAS PIPELINES

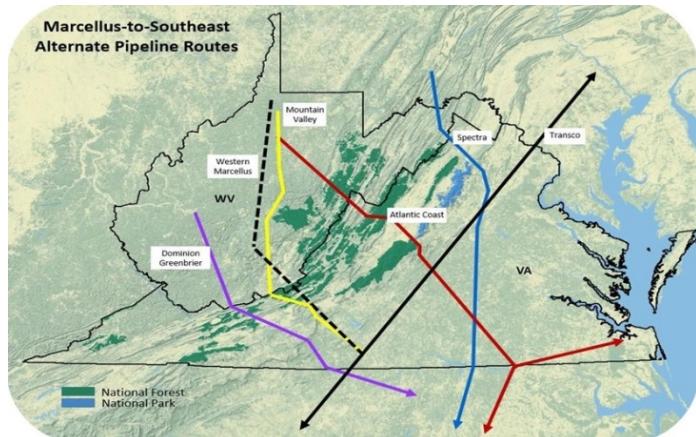
## DO WE NEED THEM? AT WHAT COST?

**WHEN:** Wednesday, October 12, 2016, 6 PM

**WHERE:** Roanoke College, Colket Center, main ballroom (3<sup>rd</sup> floor)

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A Pittsburgh-based shale drilling company (EQT) and its partners have filed to build the 300+-mile, 42" natural gas transmission Mountain Valley Pipeline in Virginia and West Virginia. Numerous new large pipelines have been proposed on the East Coast, including as many as five in Virginia. This event updates pipeline status and research since the [March 2015 Forum on Natural Gas Pipelines](#) held at Virginia Western Community College, including major research projects completed in the past year.

The program will be moderated by Rupert Cutler. Presenters will include:

***Virginia Tech faculty involved in development of “An Expert Report on the Geologic Hazards in the Karst Regions of Virginia and West Virginia: Investigations and Analysis Concerning the Proposed Mountain Valley Gas Pipeline”***

*Spencer Phillips, PhD*

***Lead author, “Economic Costs of the Mountain Valley Pipeline: Effects on Property Value, Ecosystem Services, and Economic Development in Virginia and West Virginia”***

Roanoke College students will display research projects related to the MVP in the lobby prior to the event, starting at 5:40 p.m. and refreshments will be served. Both supporters and opponents of the project have been invited to speak. Audience members who wish to speak will have a chance at the end of the event.

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