

Green Infrastructure Initiative

Linking Lands and Communities in the New River Valley

Green Infrastructure is our Communities Natural Life Support System.
An interconnected network of land and water that contributes to the health, economic well being & quality of life for communities & people.

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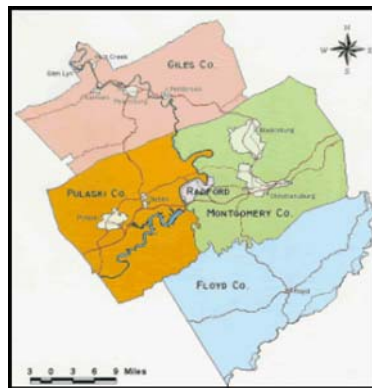
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Balancing Growth and Resource Protection

The communities in the New River Valley are dealing with change on a daily basis. In the face of that change, our communities and counties must balance the growth pressures with the benefits of services provided by maintaining the natural environment. Those services can include clean air and water, flood protection, recreational, health and educational benefits. By maintaining a network of green infrastructure as we grow, we will foster opportunities to maintain healthy and sustainable communities into the future.



The New River Valley Region

The Linking Lands and Communities Project encompasses:

- Floyd County
- Giles County
- Montgomery County
- Pulaski County
- City of Radford

Linking Land and Communities through Green Infrastructure

The Linking Lands and Communities Project began in the fall of 2006 when a number of public and private groups came together to learn more about a proactive and holistic approach to addressing conservation and resource protection in concert with growth and development. Using the green infrastructure approach in New River Valley communities supports growth preparedness, provides economic benefits of using ecological services as a way to meet community needs, and ensures the enjoyment of the natural beauty and quality of life for future generations.

How Can YOU Learn More?

Green Infrastructure Information Community Meetings held at:

- ▶ **Montgomery County Government Center in Christiansburg, VA** on June 21, 4-7 pm
- ▶ **The Country Store in Floyd, VA** on August 7, 6-8 pm
- ▶ **Castle Rock Golf and Recreation Center in Pembroke, VA** on August 28, 6-8 pm
- ▶ **New River Community College in Dublin, VA** - August 30, 6-8 pm
- ▶ **Radford, VA Meeting Date Coming Soon...**

2-Day Green Infrastructure Network Design & Implementation Workshop coming in November 2007

Formation of a NRV Leadership Group who will guide future Green Infrastructure strategies for the New River Valley region in Spring 2008

What does your Green Infrastructure look like?



Water Resources



Trail Networks



Rural Heritage



Scenic Views



Cultural Resources

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