

# Dominion Resources and The Atlantic Coast Pipeline = Death for Deer and Virginia Sportsmen

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a transmissible neurological disease of deer that produces small lesions in the brains of infected animals. This disease is progressive and always fatal.

Infectious agents of CWD are neither bacteria nor viruses, but are thought to be prions. Chronic Wasting Disease is similar to Mad Cow Disease in cattle and Creutzfeldt–Jakob Disease in humans, both invariably fatal.

While the Center for Disease Control has to date not verified any cases of humans contracting CWD, the possibility of human infection remains a concern.



The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has expanded the containment area for 2015. Due to the detection of a new positive in the northeastern corner of Shenandoah County, it has been decided to expand the Containment Area (CA) in 2015 to include all of Frederick, Warren, Clarke and Shenandoah Counties. Beginning in Fall 2015, all hunters who harvest deer within the new CA on the first two Saturdays of the general firearms season (November 14th and 21st) must bring their deer to a CWD check station for testing. *See precautions on the next page.*

See Va. Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries page: <http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/wildlife/diseases/cwd/>

Check out the Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance at <http://www.cwd-info.org>

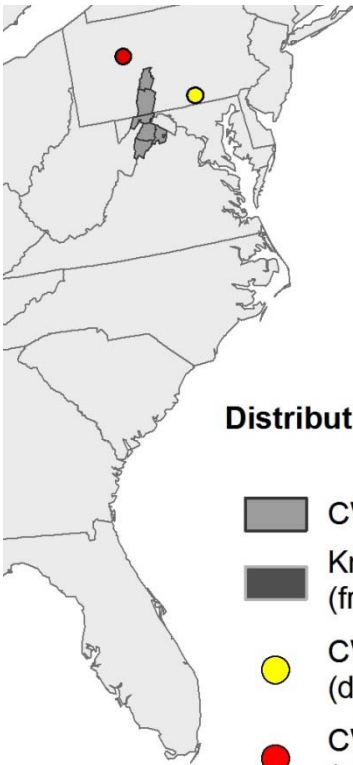
**Dominion promotes the ACP as a 500+ mile hunter-friendly greenway with early successional habitat our white-tail deer love. The truth is their plan will be a pathway for spreading Chronic Wasting Disease, destroying our birthright and our children's heritage for years to come.**

Call Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine at (202) 224-3121

Call Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe at (804) 786-2211

Call Your Federal, State and Local Representatives

**Tell them Virginia Sportsmen Oppose the Atlantic Coast Pipeline**



**Distribution of Chronic Wasting Disease in North America**

- CWD in free-ranging populations
- Known distribution prior to 2000 (free-ranging)
- CWD in captive facilities (depopulated)
- CWD in captive facilities (current)

Chronic Wasting Disease infects white-tail deer populations in Pennsylvania, northeastern West Virginia and the northern tip of Virginia.

The Atlantic Coast Pipeline is a deer friendly corridor uniquely suited for spreading CWD infected white-tail deer from the fracking fields of West Virginia through Virginia and into North Carolina.



**Public health and wildlife officials advise hunters to take the following precautions when pursuing or handling deer that may have been exposed to CWD:**

- \* Do not shoot, handle or consume any animal that is acting abnormally or appears to be sick. Contact your state game and fish department if you see or harvest an animal that appears sick.
- \* Wear latex or rubber gloves when field dressing your deer.
- \* Bone out the meat from your animal. Don't saw through bone, and avoid cutting through the brain or spinal cord.
- \* Minimize the handling of brain and spinal tissues.
- \* Wash hands and instruments thoroughly after field dressing is completed.
- \* Avoid consuming brain, spinal cord, eyes, spleen, tonsils and lymph nodes of harvested animals
- \* Avoid consuming the meat from any animal that tests positive for the disease.

**Is this our children's future?**