



Taking The High Road:

Plenary Session & Dialogue about MTR and Sustainable Development

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Additional Resources

Books, Articles, Movies, and Websites about Mountaintop Removal Coal Mining*

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Appalachian Voices, www.appvoices.org and www.ilovemountains.org

Christians for the Mountains, www.christiansforthemountains.org

Citizens Coal Council, www.citizenscoalcouncil.org

Coal River Mountain Watch, www.crmw.net

The Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement on Mountaintop Removal and Valley Fills, www.epa.gov/region03/mtntop/index.htm

Keeper of the Mountains, www.mountainkeeper.org

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, www.kftc.org

Mine Impoundment Project: Mine Impoundment Location and Warning System, www.coalimpoundment.com

Mountain Justice Summer, www.mountainjusticesummer.org

Ohio Valley Environmental Coalition, www.ohvec.org

Save Our Cumberland Mountains, www.socm.org

Sierra Club, www.sierraclub.org

SouthWings, www.southwings.org

Southern Appalachian Mountain Stewards, www.samsva.org

Tending the Commons: Folklife and Landscape in Southern West Virginia, <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/collections/tending>

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West Virginia Highlands Conservancy, www.wvhighlands.org

West Virginia Rivers Coalition, www.wvrivers.org

** Compilation based on listings and resources found within Bringing Down the Mountains: the Impact of Mountaintop Removal on Southern West Virginia Communities by Shirley Stewart Burns, West Virginia University Press (2007).*

Books, Articles, Movies, and Websites about Sustainable Development in Coalfield Appalachia

Books

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Websites & Organizations

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Appalachian Center for Economic Networks (ACENet), www.acenetworks.org

Appalachian Coalition for Just and Sustainable Communities, www.appcoalition.org

Appalachian Community Economics, <http://appalachiancommunityeconomics.org>

Appalachian Regional Commission, www.arc.gov/index.jsp

Appalachian Sustainable Development, www.asdevelop.org

Center for Economic Options, www.centerforeconomicoptions.org

The High Road Initiative, www.highroadinitiative.org

Kentucky Highlands Investment Corporation, www.khic.org

The Kentucky Solar Partnership, www.kysolar.org

Mountain Association for Community Economic Development, www.maced.org

Pine Mountain Community Development Corporation, www.secc.kctcs.edu/cbdc/pinemountain/purpose.html

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Movies

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