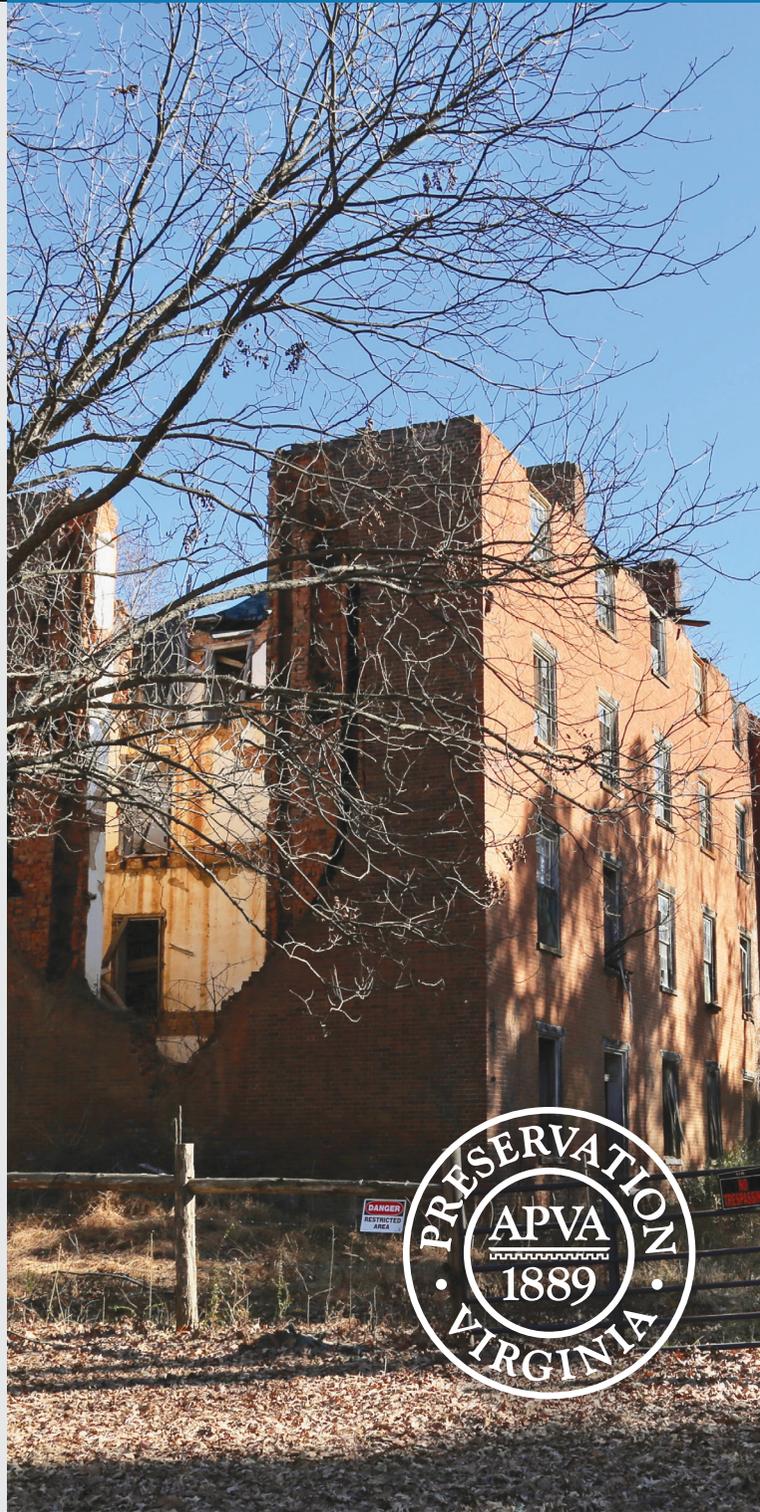




# 2018 Most Endangered Historic Places



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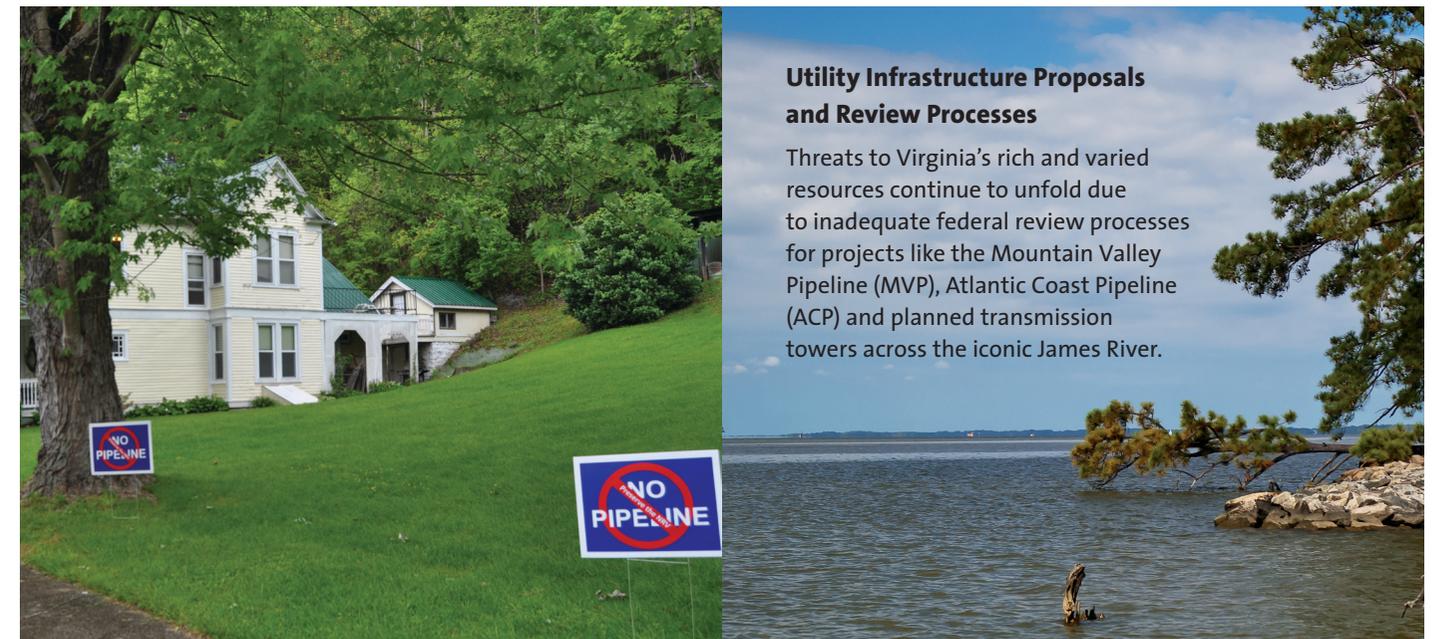
Since 2005, Preservation Virginia has helped raise awareness about threats to historic resources across the Commonwealth through our Most Endangered Historic Places program. The list, featuring nominations from local preservation groups and individuals, represents a yearly snapshot of the pressing historic preservation issues facing the Commonwealth and solutions for each.

COVER: **Boydton Institute** — Boydton



**Afton Inn** — FRONT ROYAL

At the time that the Afton Inn was nominated to the 2018 Most Endangered list, it was facing demolition despite strong support to save the structure from local citizens and Front Royal's Board of Architectural Review. However, as this publication is going to print, news has broken that the Front Royal-Warren County Economic Development Authority has approved a plan that will preserve the building. Visit [preservationvirginia.org](http://preservationvirginia.org) to learn more.



## Utility Infrastructure Proposals and Review Processes

Threats to Virginia's rich and varied resources continue to unfold due to inadequate federal review processes for projects like the Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP), Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) and planned transmission towers across the iconic James River.



**Boydton Institute** —

Boydton

The site of the Boydton Institute was the original campus of Randolph-Macon College. From 1879–1940, it served as a training school for African Americans. The institute and its deteriorated surviving structures need to be made safe for visitation and educational programs.



**Green Pastures (Longdale)**

**Recreation Area** — CLIFTON FORGE

Forest Service funding cuts and the relocation of the James River District office are factors that hinder attempts to stop the degradation of this landscape. The area was opened in 1940 for African Americans, who were prevented from using forest facilities during the Jim Crow era.



**Sandy Level F&P Depot** — Pittsylvania County

The Sandy Level F&P Depot was one of a series built on the Franklin & Pittsylvania Railroad between 1900 and 1910 by the Southern Railway and served the area's transportation and commerce needs. Currently, the depot suffers from general neglect and a section of roof has failed.



**Historic Barns of the Shenandoah Valley**

Old barns are a striking symbol of the rural landscapes throughout the Commonwealth. They particularly symbolize the Shenandoah Valley's historic rural agricultural landscape along the I-81 corridor, which is being lost at an alarming rate to economic shifts and development pressures.

**Historic Properties Affected by Recurring Flooding** — STATEWIDE

Land subsidence. Sea level rise. Climate change. Coastline erosion. Severe weather. Nuisance flooding. There are many labels and causes for the flooding that threatens historic resources. These risks are increasing, and recurring and nuisance flooding have become all-too-common in some Virginia communities, such as the City of Norfolk.



Visit [preservationvirginia.org/programs/most-endangered](https://www.preservationvirginia.org/programs/most-endangered) to see the full 2018 Most Endangered Historic Places list.

To learn what you can do to help save these important places, please contact Justin Sarafin at 804-648-1889 ext. 317 or [jsarafin@preservationvirginia.org](mailto:jsarafin@preservationvirginia.org).

**Village of Aldie** — LOUDOUN COUNTY

Loudoun County is proposing a plan to construct a 14,000–20,000 square foot fire station in the heart of the Village of Aldie. This plan places the entrance corridor and integrity of the historic town at risk.



**Roanoke Fire Station No. 7**

Fire Station No. 7, constructed in 1922, stands at the entrance to the Grandin Village neighborhood of Roanoke. Alternatives to demolition exist and should be explored to preserve this symbol of civic pride.



**Carr-Greer Farmhouse** — CHARLOTTESVILLE

Built by emancipated slave and landowner Hugh Carr circa 1880, the farmhouse is one of the few surviving vestiges of the once vibrant African American community of Union Ridge-Hydraulic Mills. It suffers from deferred maintenance and has been vacated due to its condition.

**Grace Heritage Center** — WESTERN LOUDOUN COUNTY

Formerly Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, the building is in disrepair and has been out of use since 1950. Built in 1885 by African Americans with the support of Quakers, the community is at risk of losing a symbol of the shared history between the area's Quaker settlers and enslaved people.



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