

## WEB RESOURCES – URANIUM MINING IN VIRGINIA

<http://www.via.vt.edu/winter13/Uranium-Mining-in-Virginia.pdf>

An article from Virginia Tech's "Issues and Answers" journal that discusses uranium mining in Virginia, and includes interviews with Robert Bodnar (Professor at Virginia Tech), Andrew Lester (executive director of the Roanoke (VA) River Basin Association), Paul Locke (chair of the NAS committee on Uranium Mining in Virginia) and Patrick Wales (geologist for Virginia Energy Resources (VER))

<http://viriniapublicradio.org/search/Uranium+Mining/feed/rss2/>

Virginia public radio files on uranium mining issues

<http://www.dmme.virginia.gov/Uranium/index.shtml> -- Uranium working group website

"[Virginia] Governor McDonnell established the group to provide a scientific policy analysis to help assess whether the moratorium on uranium mining in the Commonwealth should be lifted, and if so, how best to do so. The Directive sets out eighteen tasks for the UWG to complete, including the creation of a draft statutory and conceptual regulatory framework which the UWG will present in the series of public meetings listed below. The UWG will provide its findings and final report to the Governor and in turn the Uranium Mining Subcommittee of the Coal and Energy Commission."

The working group completed its work as of 30 November 2012 and was then dissolved. The group's website is maintained for historical purposes, but is no longer active. The group's final report is available for download – to find it, use the links provided at the website listed above.

[http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/virginia-politics/post/virginia-uranium-mining-ban-would-end-under-watkins-bill/2012/12/03/f6b97136-3d95-11e2-a2d9-822f58ac9fd5\\_blog.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/virginia-politics/post/virginia-uranium-mining-ban-would-end-under-watkins-bill/2012/12/03/f6b97136-3d95-11e2-a2d9-822f58ac9fd5_blog.html)

This article states that Senator John Watkins will be offering a bill before the Virginia legislature that would lift the uranium mining moratorium.

<http://viriniapublicradio.files.wordpress.com/2013/02/prerollbanfuture.mp3>

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/uranium-mining-proposal-abandoned-virginia>

Virginia public radio story on Watkins' decision to abandon his bills lifting the uranium mining moratorium and AP story covering Watkins' rescinding of the bill.

<http://vawatercentralnewsgrouper.wordpress.com/2013/12/16/water-in-the-2014-virginia-general-assembly-no-uranium-moratoirum-removal-legistlation-will-be-sought-by-virginia-uranium-in-2014/>

This article states that VER will not attempt to gain uranium mining moratorium legislation in 2014 and points out that Virginia's new governor has publicly stated that he would not sign legislation lifting the uranium mining moratorium.

[http://m.godanriver.com/news/pittsylvania\\_county/uranium/article\\_f8108e62-64f3-11e3-9929-001a4bcf6878.html?mode=jqm](http://m.godanriver.com/news/pittsylvania_county/uranium/article_f8108e62-64f3-11e3-9929-001a4bcf6878.html?mode=jqm)

Associated press story about VER and its decision to abandon legislative efforts in 2014 (published at GoDanRiver.com)