

# AREA PRESENTATION 2020

Division of Conservation

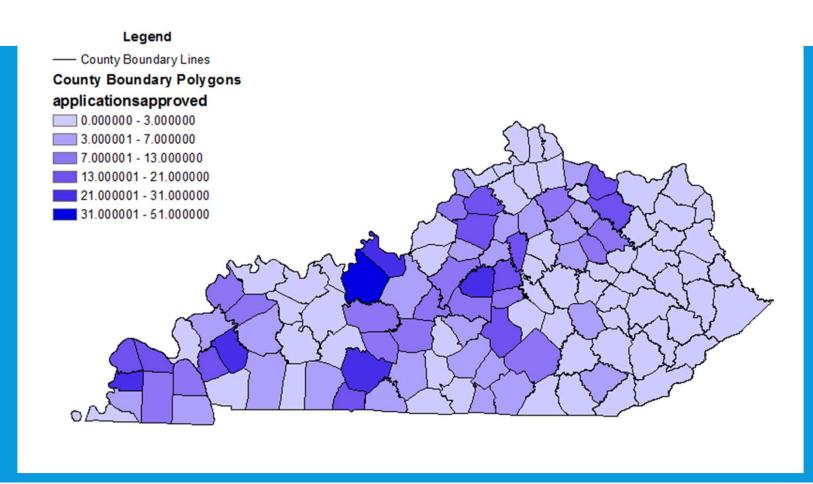
#### **BUDGET**

- Current draft budget has \$907,300 in Direct Aid
- Current draft budget has \$2.4 in cost share for FY21 and \$2.5 for cost share in FY22
- Session over in April

## FY19 APPROVED PROJECTS

- Districts submitted 784 applications for \$5,967,738
- •722 individuals were selected for funding for \$4,523,347
  - 163 Cropland
  - 2 Forestland
  - 8 Animal Feeding Operations
  - 538 Pastureland
  - 11 Streambank

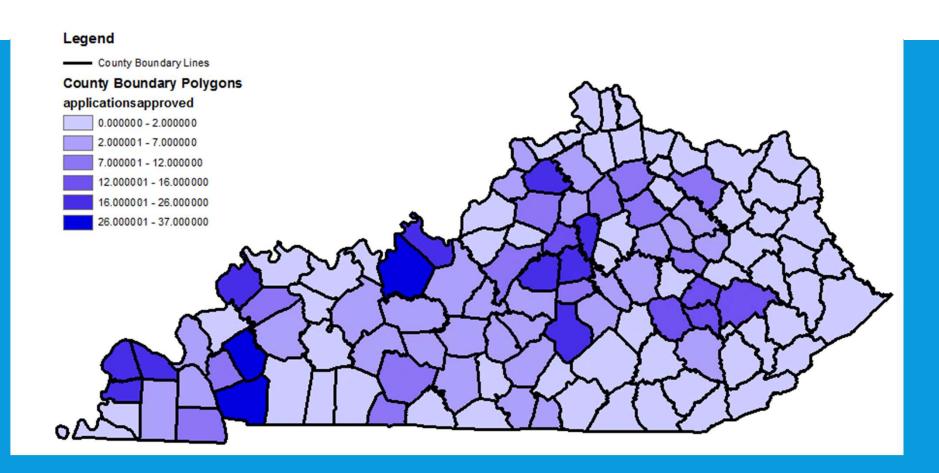
## FY19 MAP



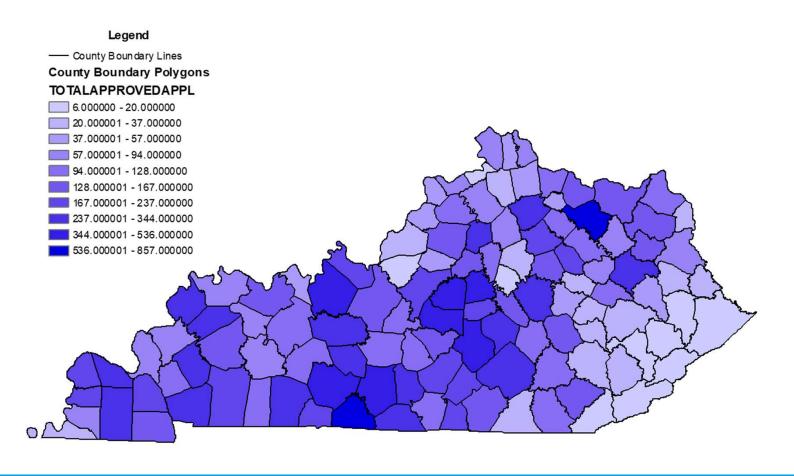
#### FY20 APPROVED PROJECTS

- Districts submitted 864 applications for \$6,741,757
- 705 individuals were approved for \$4,554,818
  - 202 Cropland
  - 4 Forestland
  - 14 Animal Feeding Operations
  - 479 Pastureland
  - 6 Streambank

### FY20 MAP



#### **ALLYEARS PROJECTS MAP**



#### DATES FOR COST SHARE

- FY17 projects
  - Approved 9/19/18
  - 4/1/20 need a second 6 month extension
  - Completion by 10/1/20
- FY18 projects
  - Approved 2/12/19
  - 1 year 3/1/20 need a 6 month extension
  - 9/1/20 need a second 6 month extension
  - Completion by 3/1/21

- FY19 projects
  - Approved 7/8/19
  - 1 year 8/1/20 need a 6 month extension
  - 2/1/21 need a second 6 month extension
  - Completion by 8/1/21
- FY20 projects
  - Approved 1/17/20
  - 1 year 2/1/21 need a 6 month extension
  - 8/1/21 need a second 6 month extension
  - Completion by 2/1/22

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS**

- 93 districts requested environmental grants for a total of \$669,560
- 61% were for dead animal removal
- Other projects included local cost share, recycling pick up, septic system repairs, tree seedlings, soil testing, and education events
- Must complete the application New form out this fall
- 25% demonstrated match in a budget
- Will be due in December

#### AWQA WORKBOOK

## -CHANGES COMING!!!

- New online application including additional resource links (photos, publications, etc.)
- No timeline yet, but will do training when available

#### **EQUIPMENT LOANS**

- Funds are still available
- Energy and Environment Cabinet Attorneys are reviewing current statute to determine how to make it most transparent in the case of subcontracts
- Although they are approved by the Soil and Water Conservation Commission, they still have to be approved by the Commissioner of the Department for Natural Resources

#### **REGULATION CHANGES**

- 416 KAR 1:010 State Cost Share Not in effect yet!
  - Added definition of animal waste
  - Removed references to Ecosystem Based Assistance Process
  - Added ineligible person for people who have had to refund cost share in the past 5 years for failing to maintain a practice
  - Added language that says the applicants Ag Water Quality plans must be updated with the current version of the Statewide Agriculture Water Quality Plan.
  - Modified language to reflect the way we move money around currently between districts and DOC
  - Increased funding cap to \$20,000
  - Removed streambank stabilization

#### **REGULATION CHANGES**

- Draft state cost share regulations were filed on December 13, 2019
- Public comment period until February 29, 2020
- Could be taken up by committee in April or May
- May take 90 days to consider
- Could go into effect between April and August

## **NEW FIELD STAFF**

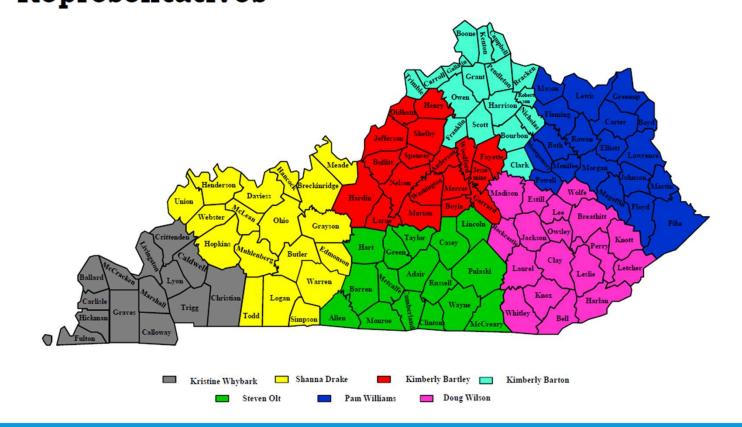


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## NEW SECRETARY AND COMMISSIONER



Secretary of the Energy and Environment Cabinet Rebecca W. Goodman



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## **QUESTIONS**

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