IJC Meeting on State Government on October 21, at 11 a.m.

RUSS MEYER
COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



The **Kentucky Department of Parks** is a state government agency within the Tourism, Arts, and Heritage Cabinet responsible for managing and operating the **Kentucky State Park system**, which includes **resort parks**, **recreational parks**, **and historic sites**.

Park Management and Maintenance:

- Oversees 44 state parks across Kentucky.
- Ensures the upkeep of park facilities including lodges, cottages, campgrounds, and natural resources.

Recreation and Outdoor Activities:

- Provides opportunities for hiking, boating, fishing, camping, golf, and wildlife observation.
- Maintains and develops infrastructure for outdoor recreation.

Cultural and Historic Preservation:

- Manages historic sites and museums.
- Offers educational programs to preserve and interpret Kentucky's heritage.

Tourism and Economic Development:

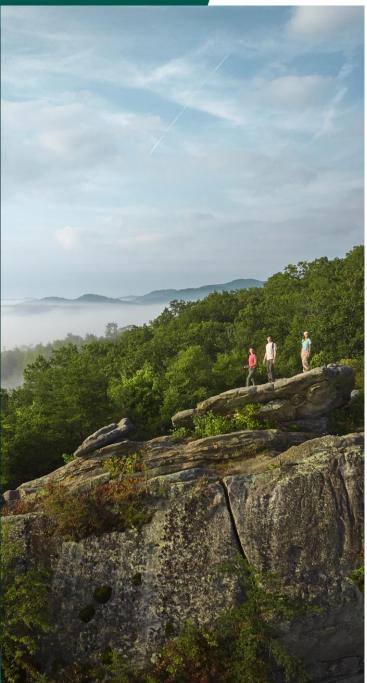
- Promotes parks as travel destinations to support local economies.
- Hosts events and programs to attract visitors year-round.

Environmental Stewardship:

- Protects natural habitats, ecosystems, and biodiversity within park boundaries.
- Implements conservation practices and sustainable operations.

Hospitality Services:

- Operates lodges, cottages, restaurants, and event spaces.
- Offers hospitality and guest services to enhance visitor experiences.



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HJR 76	
\$40 Million	Campground Upgrades
\$20 Million	Utility Improvements
\$6 Million	Broadband Upgrades
HJR 56	
\$27 Million	Building Systems and Safety Improvements
\$22 Million	Accommodation Hospitality Upgrades
\$22 Million	Recreational Amenities Upgrades
HB 6	
\$45 Million	Utility Infrastructure Replacement
\$18 Million	Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades
\$15 Million	Yatesville Lake Marina Replacement
\$12.2 Million	Jenny Wiley Marina Reconstruction
\$10 Million	Cumberland Falls Lodge Room Upgrades
\$7.5 Million	John James Audubon New Conference Center
\$6 Million	Lake Barkley Lodge Wing Exterior Repair
\$3.1 Million	Big Bone Lick State Park Nature Center
\$3.1 Million	Conference Center Upgrades
\$3 Million	Lake Barkley Fitness Center Upgrades
\$1.5 Million	Perryville ADA Accessible Restroom Facility
\$1.5 Million	Kenlake Structure Refurbishment
\$1.5 Million	Jenny Wiley Archery Center
\$1.2 Million	Pennyrile Beach Complex Repair
\$1.1 Million	John James Audubon Beach House Conversion

CAMPGROUND BATHHOUSE RENOVATIONS

Nolin Lake

Barren River Lake

Natural Bridge

Greenbo Lake

Big Bone Lick

General Burnside

General Butler

Jenny Wiley

Kincaid Lake

Dale Hollow Lake

Yatesville

Green River

Cumberland Falls

Blue Licks Battlefield

BROADBAND UPGRADES

Dale Hollow Lake

Carter Caves

Paintsville Lake

LIFE SAFETY SYSTEM UPGRADES

Dale Hollow Lake Elevator

Jenny Wiley Elevator

John James Audubon Business Office Sprinkler System





PLAYGROUND UPGRADES

EP Tom Sawyer

Jefferson Davis

Kentucky Dam Village

Carter Caves

Pine Mountain

Jenny Wiley

Yatesville Lake

Natural Bridge

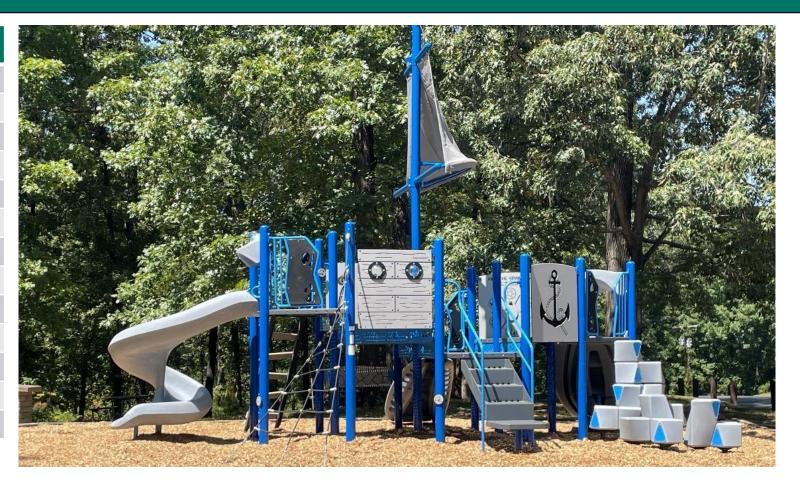
Big Bone Lick

Pennyrile Forest

Taylorsville Lake

Waveland

Buckhorn Lake





DOOR LOCKING SYSTEMS

General Butler

Rough River Dam

Natural Bridge

Jenny Wiley

Dale Hollow Lake

Carter Caves

Cumberland Falls

Greenbo Lake

Blue Licks Battlefield

Kentucky Dam Village

Lake Barkley

Barren River Lake

Pine Mountain

Pennyrile Forest

Kenlake

Lake Cumberland

Buckhorn Lake

John James Audubon

BEACH REFURBISHMENTS

All State Parks Beaches

BUILDING SYSTEMS REPAIRS

Jenny Wiley Cooling Tower Replacement

GOLF COURSE GREEN CONVERSIONS

Barren River

Kentucky Dam Village

GOLF COURSE BUNKER REPAIRS

Dale Hollow Lake

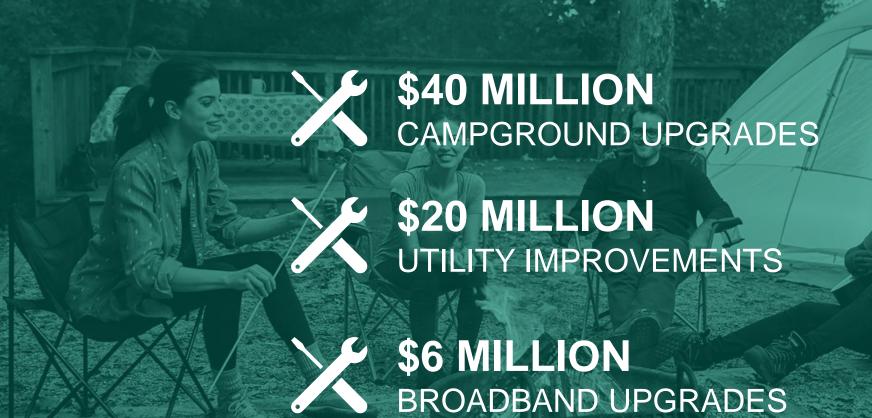
Grayson Lake

Mineral Mound

Yatesville Lake



HJR 76 STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



CAMPGROUND BATHHOUSE UPGRADES:



\$1.7 MILLION BATHHOUSE RENOVATIONS COMPLETED



\$495,600 APPROPRIATED FOR REMAINING PROJECTS



14 BATHHOUSE RENOVATIONS COMPLETE



2 PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Lake Barkley
- Carter Caves

CAMPGROUND UPGRADES:

WEST CAMPGROUND UPGRADES



\$20 MILLION APPROPRIATED



9 STATE PARK PROJECTS

Initial design assessment completed.



1 PROJECT IN DESIGN

Lake Malone



3 PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Kenlake
- My Old Kentucky Home
- Taylorsville Lake

CAMPGROUND UPGRADES:

EAST CAMPGROUND UPGRADES



\$20 MILLION APPROPRIATED



4 STATE PARK PROJECTS

Initial design assessment completed.



1 CONTRACT AWARDED

Greenbo Lake



3 PROJECTS IN DESIGN

- Fort Boonesborough
- Cumberland Falls
- General Burnside



1 PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Carter Caves

















UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS:

\$17 MILLION

for federal matching grant for Grid Resilience project at various park locations.

Kentucky Dam Village and Kenlake State Resort Parks primary grid resilience projects are in final design.

Secondary electrical project to follow the grid resilience grant project.





WASTEWATER UPGRADES:



\$6.5 MILLION APPROPRIATED



1 PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Natural Bridge



3 PROJECTS ARE IN DESIGN

- Cumberland Falls
- Barren River Lake
- Greenbo Lake



1 PROJECT IS OUT FOR BID

EP Tom Sawyer

BROADBAND CAMPGROUND UPGRADES:



HJR 56 STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



BUILDING SYSTEMS & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT:

• • •	\$6.9 MILLION APPROPRIATED
	 5 PARK PROJECTS: BUILDING AUTOMATED SYSTEMS UPDATES General Butler Barren River Lake Pennyrile Forest Rough River Dam Dale Hollow Lake
	 2 PARK PROJECTS: BUILDING SYSTEMS UPGRADES • Jenny Wiley • Rough River Dam
	1 PARK PROJECT UNDER CONTRACT: CHILLER REPAIRS/REPLACEMENT Barren River Lake

LIFE SAFETY SYSTEM UPGRADES AND REPLACEMENT:



\$2 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR DOOR-LOCKING SYSTEMS AT ALL RESORT PARKS

• 18 Projects completed



\$151,650 APPROPRIATED FOR ELEVATOR AND SPRINKLER UPGRADES



3 PROJECTS COMPLETE

- John James Audubon (sprinkler system)
- Jenny Wiley (elevator upgrade)
- Dale Hollow Lake (elevator upgrade)

STRUCTURAL AND SAFETY REPAIRS:



\$6.7 MILLION APPROPRIATED



5 PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Pine Mountain
- Natural Bridge
- Cumberland Falls
- Lake Cumberland
- Dale Hollow Lake

ADA MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS:



\$1.1 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT

Dale Hollow Lake



PROJECT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

BUILDING SYSTEMS & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS:



\$1.3 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR POOL AND REC BUILDING UPGRADES

EP Tom Sawyer



PROJECT IS UNDERWAY



\$2.8 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR LODGE WING UPGRADES

Lake Barkley



PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

ACCOMMODATION HOSPITALITY UPGRADES: \$22 MILLION



\$21 MILLION APPROPRIATED

- Lake Barkley
- Lake Cumberland
- Barren River



3 PROJECTS IN DESIGN



\$1 MILLION APPROPRIATED

Mattresses and furnishings at various state parks



1 PROJECT COMPLETED





POOL IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIRS:



\$12 MILLION APPROPRIATED

- Fort Boonesborough
- Lake Barkley
- Greenbo Lake



1 PROJECT OUT TO BID

Lake Barkley

BEACH REFURBISHMENT:



\$346,600 APPROPRIATED



ALL PROJECTS COMPLETED





DAM SAFETY RECONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS:



\$5 MILLION APPROPRIATED

Pennyrile Forest



PROJECT DESIGN IS COMPLETE







PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT:



\$1.2 MILLION APPROPRIATED



13 PROJECTS COMPLETED

- Buckhorn Lake
- Carter Caves
- E.P. Tom Sawyer
- Jefferson Davis
- Kentucky Dam Village
- Pennyrile Forest
- Big Bone Lick
- Pine Mountain
- Yatesville Lake
- Natural Bridge
- Jenny Wiley
- Taylorsville Lake
- Waveland













GOLF COURSE UPGRADES:



\$8.5 MILLION APPROPRIATED

Golf course irrigation replacement, Bermuda greens conversion and bunker repairs



2 PROJECTS UNDER CONTRACT

- Barren River Lake irrigation
- Kentucky Dam Village irrigation



6 PROJECTS COMPLETE

- Dale Hollow Lake bunkers
- Barren River Lake green conversion
- Mineral Mound bunkers
- Yatesville bunkers
- Kentucky Dam Village green conversion
- Grayson Lake bunkers





FY25-26 LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS:

9 PROJECTS ARE IN DESIGN

- Utility Infrastructure Replacement (Phase 2)
- Yatesville Lake Marina Replacement
- Jenny Wiley Marina Reconstruction
- Cumberland Falls Lodge Room Upgrades
- John James Audubon New Conference Center
- Lake Barkley Lodge Wing Exterior Repair
- Conference Center Upgrades
- Lake Barkley Fitness Center Upgrades
- Jenny Wiley Archery Center

4 PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION



- Big Bone Lick Nature Center
- Perryville ADA Restrooms
- Kenlake (Historic Cherokee Park) Structure Refurbishment
- John James Audubon Beach House Conversion



QUESTIONS?

