

Budget Review Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Protection, Tourism and Energy Sept. 17, 2025

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CAPITAL PROJECTS

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
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\$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



COMPLETED PROJECTS

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
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



Blue Licks Battlefield



COMPLETED PROJECTS

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





COMPLETED PROJECTS

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

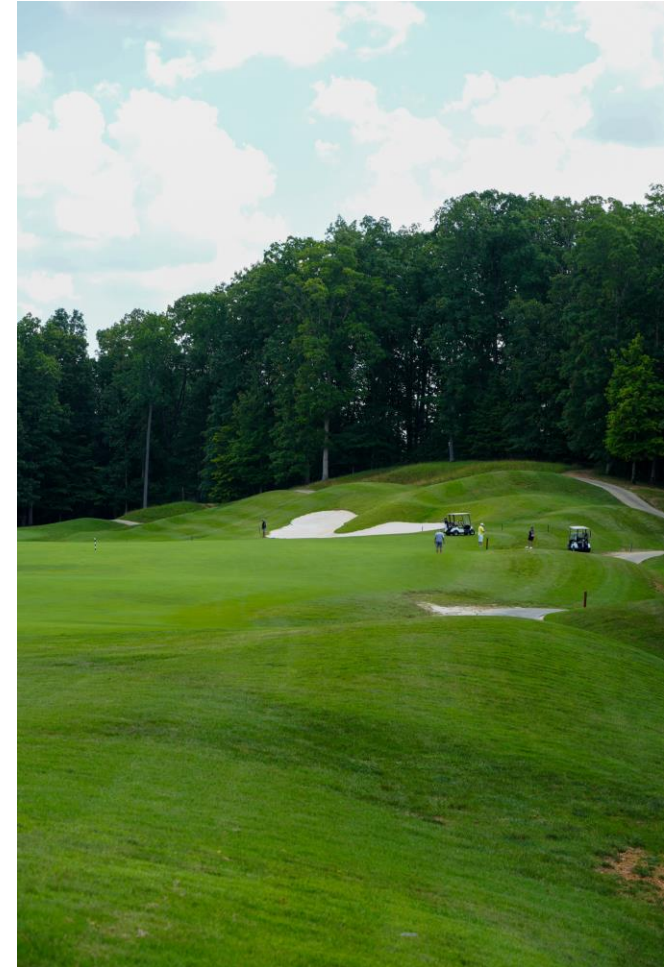
GOLF COURSE BUNKER REPAIRS

Dale Hollow Lake

Grayson Lake

Mineral Mound

Yatesville Lake



HJR 76

STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



\$40 MILLION
CAMPGROUND UPGRADES



\$20 MILLION
UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS



\$6 MILLION
BROADBAND UPGRADES

CAMPGROUND BATHHOUSE UPGRADES:



\$1.7 MILLION BATHHOUSE RENOVATIONS COMPLETED



\$495,600 APPROPRIATED FOR REMAINING PROJECTS



12 BATHHOUSE RENOVATIONS COMPLETE



4 PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- Green River
- Yatesville Lake
- 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

MY OLD KENTUCKY HOME







KENLAKE STATE RESORT PARK





KENLAKE





GREENBO LAKE STATE RESORT PARK



BLUE LICKS BATTLEFIELD



BLUE LICKS BATTLEFIELD



Carter Caves State Resort Park

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:

	\$6 MILLION APPROPRIATED
	3 PROJECTS COMPLETE
	7 PROJECTS ARE IN DESIGN <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pennyrite Forest• John James Audubon• Big Bone Lick• Lake Malone• Fort Boonesborough• My Old Kentucky Home• Kenlake
	1 PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION General Butler

HJR 56

STATE PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS



\$27 MILLION

BUILDING SYSTEMS REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT



\$22 MILLION





ACCOMMODATION HOSPITALITY UPGRADES



\$22 MILLION

RECREATIONAL AMENITIES UPGRADES

BUILDING SYSTEMS & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT:

	\$6.9 MILLION APPROPRIATED
	5 PARK PROJECTS: BUILDING AUTOMATED SYSTEMS UPDATES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General Butler• Barren River Lake• Pennyrite Forest• Rough River Dam• Dale Hollow Lake
	2 PARK PROJECTS: BUILDING SYSTEMS UPGRADES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pine Mountain• Natural Bridge• Cumberland Falls• Lake Cumberland• Dale Hollow Lake



ADA MOBILITY IMPROVEMENTS:

	\$1.1 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dale Hollow Lake
	PROJECT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

BUILDING SYSTEMS & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS:

	\$1.3 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR POOL AND REC BUILDING UPGRADES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• EP Tom Sawyer
	PROJECT IS UNDERWAY
	\$2.8 MILLION APPROPRIATED FOR LODGE WING UPGRADES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lake Barkley
	PROJECT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

ACCOMMODATION HOSPITALITY UPGRADES: \$22 MILLION

	\$21 MILLION APPROPRIATED <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lake Barkley• Lake Cumberland• Barren River
	3 PROJECTS IN DESIGN
	\$1 MILLION APPROPRIATED <p>Mattresses and furnishings at various state parks</p>
	PROJECT COMPLETED



POOL IMPROVEMENT AND REPAIRS:

	\$12 MILLION APPROPRIATED <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fort Boonesborough• Lake Barkley• Greenbo Lake
	1 PROJECT OUT TO BID <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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
- Yatesville



CARTER CAVES



E.P. TOM SAWYER



JEFFERSON DAVIS



YATESVILLE LAKE



JENNY WILEY



KENTUCKY DAM VILLAGE

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:



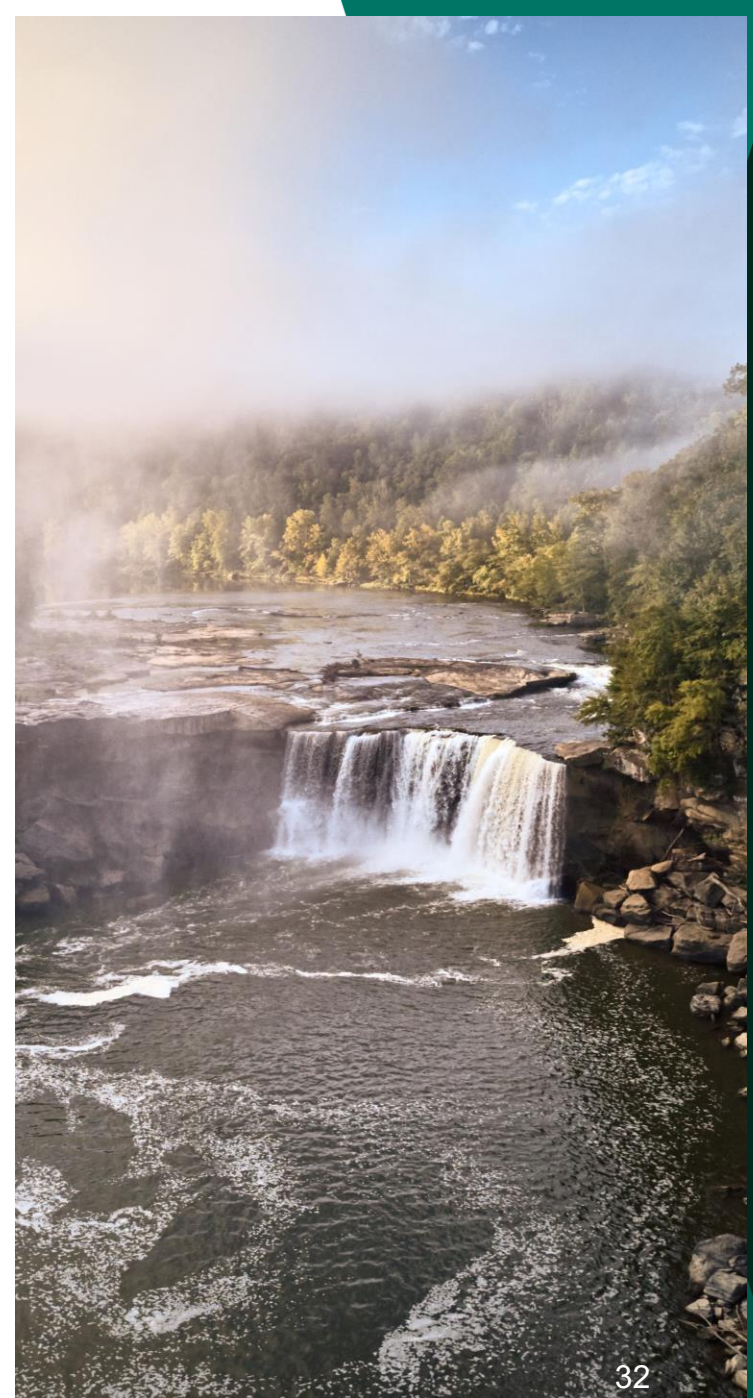
9 PROJECTS ARE IN DESIGN

- Utility Infrastructure Replacement (Phase 2)
- Yatesville Lake Marina Improvements
- 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?

