

KDFWR Wetland and Stream Mitigation Program

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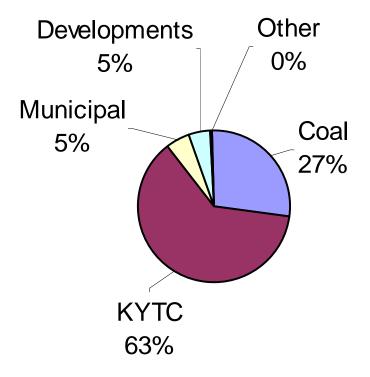
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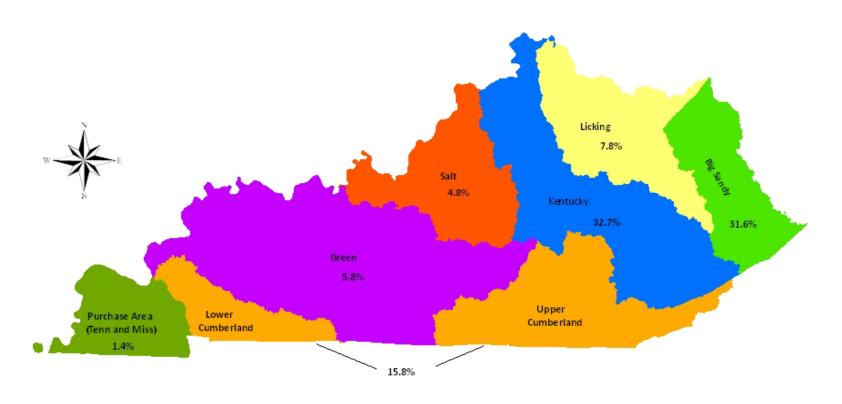
History Of The Program

- The 2000 General Assembly authorized creation of the Stream & Wetland Mitigation Trust under KRS 150.255, effective July 2000
- August, 2001: KDFWR began the search for potential stream restoration projects
- December 2001: First FILO payment received
- September-October 2002: COE-KDFWR FILO Agreement signed.
 - Established MRT and general program rules
- August 2003: Second agreement signed establishing MRT and rules
 - Details of program such as project selection, conceptual plans, etc.
- 2008-present: ILF Draft Modified Instrument

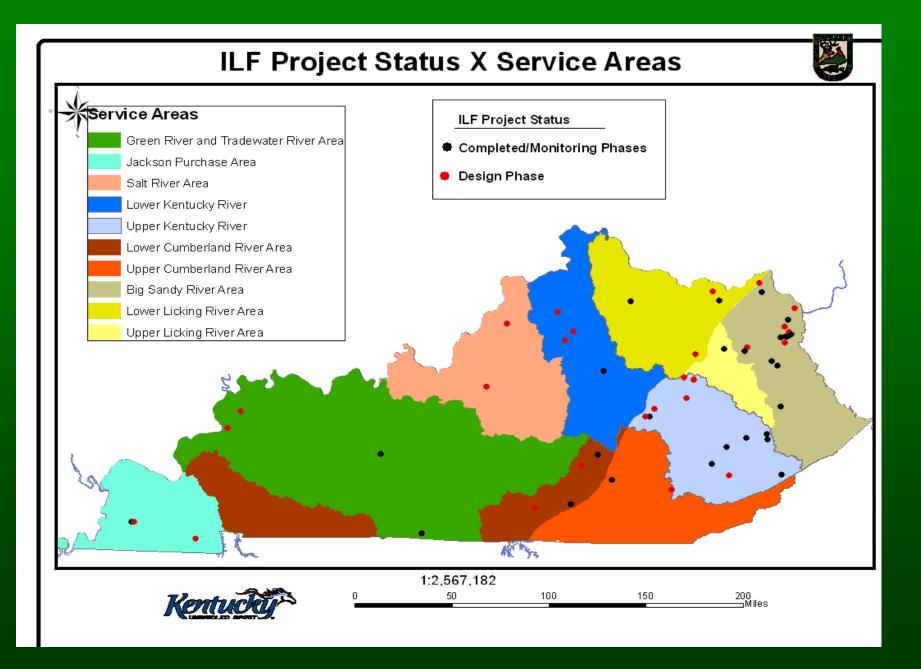
Source of In-Lieu Fee



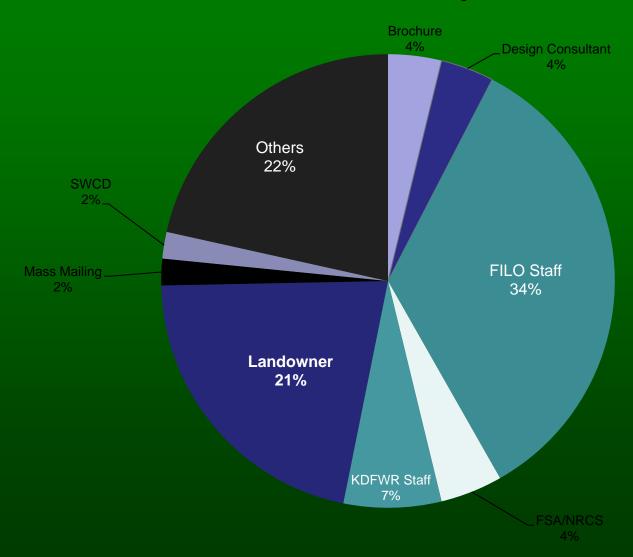
Percent of Fees Received, By Major River Basin





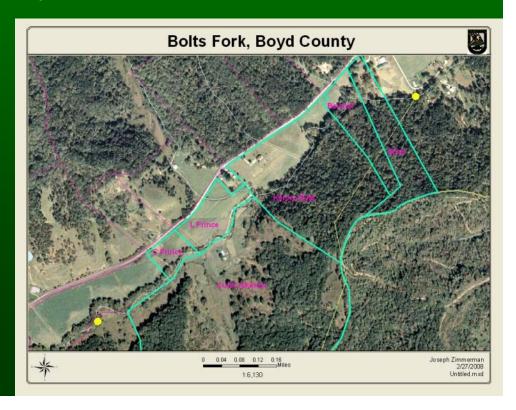


Outreach Responses

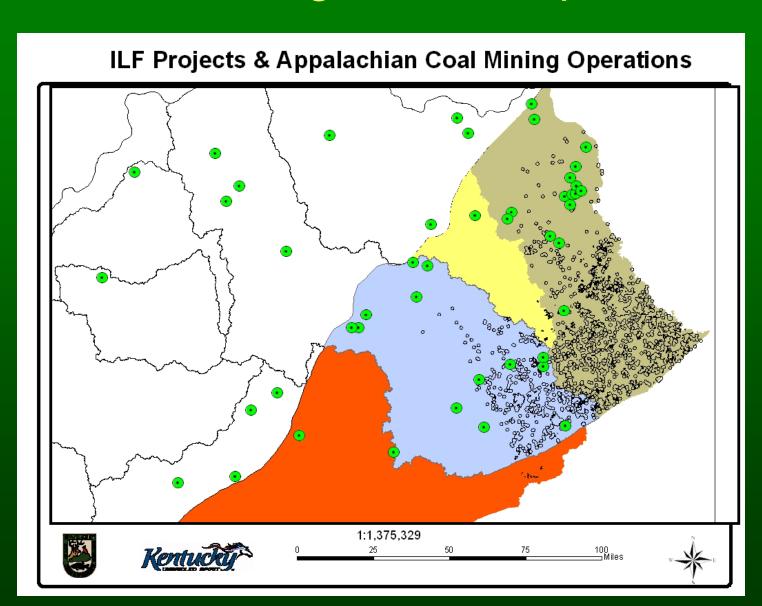


Site Selection

- Water quality restrictions
- Conservation easement requirements
- Valley width/lateral constraints/agricultural impacts
- Change in conservation easement requirements/landowner consensus
- Credit protocol/economy of scale



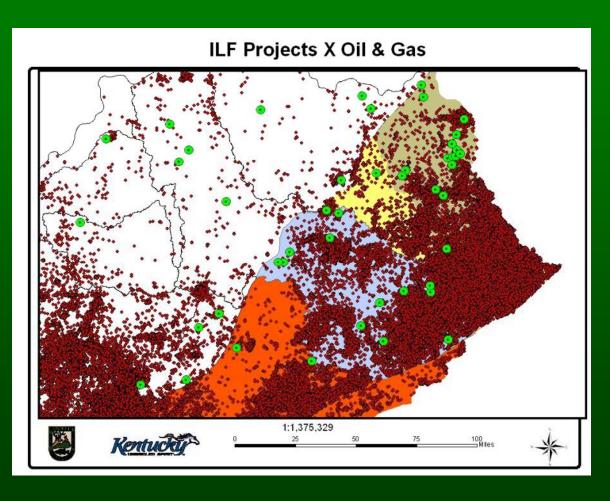
Mineral Challenges: Coal Operations



Mineral Challenges: Oil & Gas Wells

MINERAL SOLUTIONS:

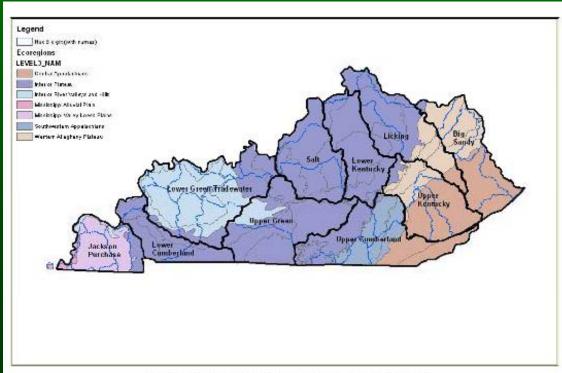
- Off-site mitigation to meet Final Rule reqs.
- Mineral easements/agreements
- Public Lands w/ mineral BMP's or restrictions



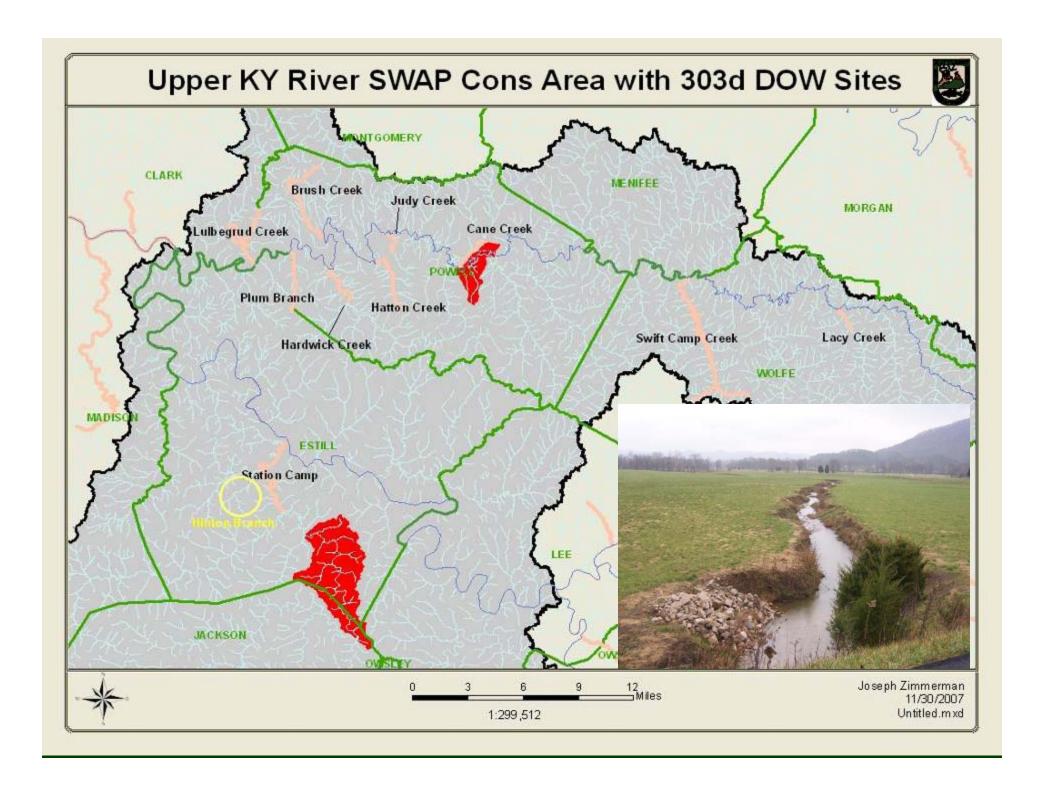
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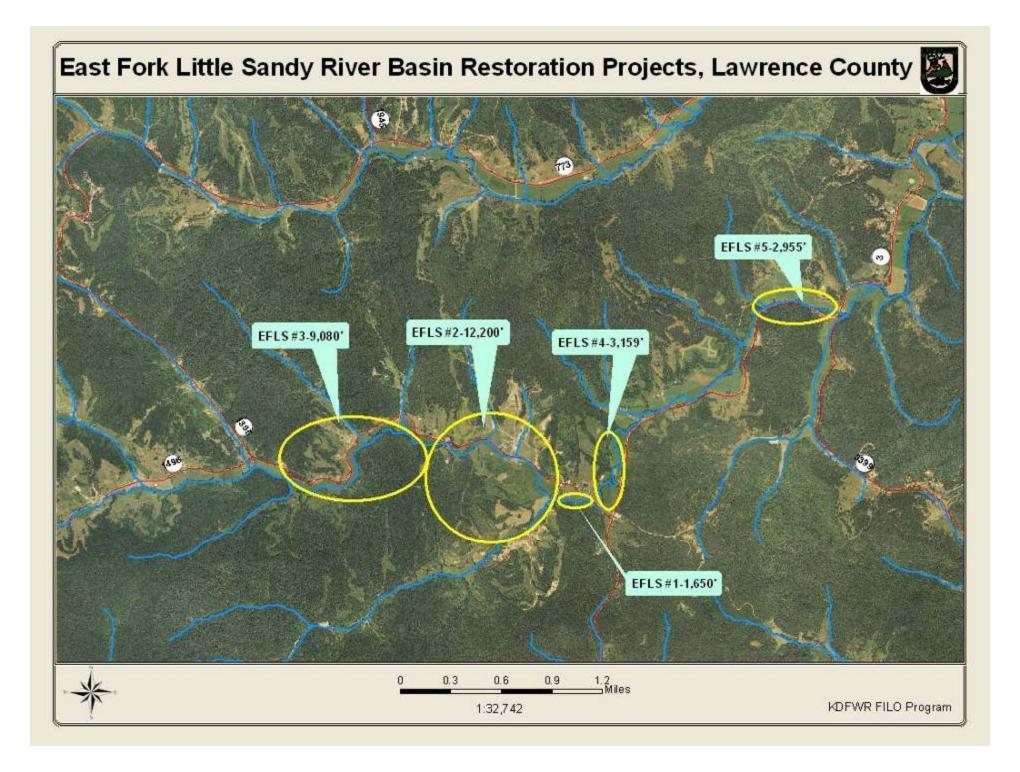
- 1. Landowner Cooperation
- 2. Proximity of In-Lieu Fees
- 3. Project Size
- 4. Stream Size
- 5. Degree of Impairment
- 6. Likelihood of Success
- 7. EPA 303d list streams
- 8. Priority watersheds& T&E species





Service Areas and Level 3 Ecoregions





Site Selection



East Fork Little Sandy #3 Proposed Credits-EIU's

	Pre-Construction			Post-Construction			
Reach	Length (ft)	EII	Credit	Length (ft)	EII	Credit	Net
EFLS 0-1000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 1000-2000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 2000-3000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 3000-4000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 4000-5000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 5000-6000'	1000	0.47	470	1000	0.93	930	460
EFLS 6000-7183'	1183	0.47	556	1183	0.93	1100	544
Trib 1	420	0.47	197	420	0.93	391	193
Trib 2	468	0.47	220	468	0.93	435	215
Trib 3	131	0.47	62	131	0.93	122	60
Trib 4	294	0.47	138	294	0.93	273	135
Trib 5	330	0.47	155	330	0.93	307	152
Trib 6	597	0.47	281	597	0.93	555	275
Trib 7	64	0.47	30	64	0.93	60	29
TOTALS	9487		4459	9487		8823	4364

Construction Issues

- Landowners requesting work from contractors outside of project area
- Landowner expectations



Construction Issues

- Seasonal timing causing delays
- Routine maintenance of site—Who's responsibility?



Construction Issues

USFWS Indiana Bat Tree Cutting Restrictions



Lessons learned-Monitoring

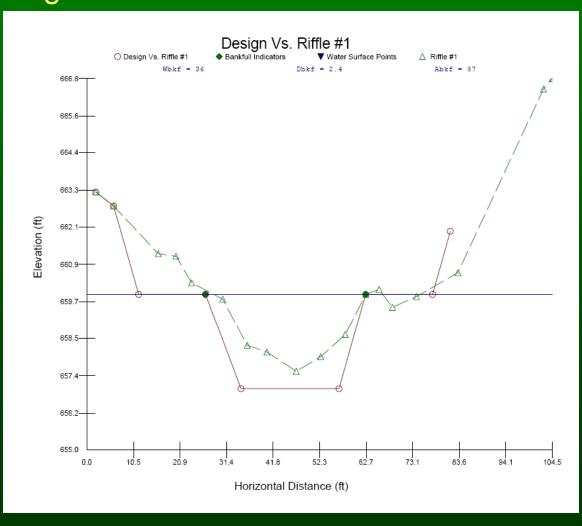
- Designers forcing pattern in confined valleys
- Downstream 1/3 of meander bends/perpendicular flood flows





Lessons learned-Monitoring

As vegetation becomes established, channel dimensions are shifting



Lessons learned-Monitoring

Equipment storage near project area



Vegetation success is variable depending on soils,

installation, and compaction levels

