

**PUBLIC NOTICE
BIDS BEING ACCEPTED**

The City of Benham is accepting sealed bids on:

2006 Nissan Frontier Truck
Needs work
Odometer Reading:

Through Friday January 7, 2026 at 12:00 noon.
All Sealed Bids must be turned in or mailed to:

Benham City Hall
230 Main Street, Ste. A
PO Box E
Benham, KY 40807

Any questions can be directed to City Hall at 606-848-5506 or E-mail: cityofbenham@gmail.com
The City of Benham reserves the right to accept or deny any BID

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF
INTENT TO APPLY FOR
EPA BROWNFIELDS
CLEANUP GRANT**

Harlan County Fiscal Court hereby gives notice of its intent to apply for an EPA Brownfields Cleanup Grant. Funding Requested: \$4,000,000 Grant Type: Single Site Cleanup
Former Lynch Coal Mining Complex 118 Depot Loop Lynch, Harlan County, Kentucky 40855

The proposed project involves cleanup activities at the Former Lynch Coal Mining Complex to address environmental contamination in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and cleanup standards.

A copy of the draft grant application, including the Draft Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA), will be available for public review and comment prior to the public meeting at the following location:

Tri-Cities Main Street Office
506 West Main Street
Cumberland, KY 40823
Hours: Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

A public meeting to discuss the draft application and

receive public comments will be held on:
Date: January 9, 2026
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location:
Lynch Train Depot
100 Depot Loop
Lynch Ky 40855

Members of the public are encouraged to attend and provide comments on the proposed application. Written or verbal comments will be accepted at the meeting.

Special arrangements for reviewing the draft application may be made by contacting: Erica Eldridge, Main Street Director Phone: 606-733-0332
For individuals who are unable to attend the meeting, have questions, require disability accommodations, or need special language assistance, please contact: James Bushnell Phone: 859-374-0915

All comments received will be considered prior to submission of the application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

**STATEWIDE
CLASSIFIEDS**

SECURITY
HOME BREAK-INS take less than 60 SECONDS. Don't wait! Protect your family, your home, your assets NOW for as little as 70¢ a day! Call 1-833-360-5407

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YOU MAY QUALIFY for disability benefits if you have are between 52-63 years old and under a doctor's care for a health condition that prevents you from working for a year or more. Call now! 1-833-641-6772

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Wesley Financial Group, LLC Timeshare Cancellation Experts Over \$50,000,000 in timeshare debt and fees cancelled in 2019. Get free informational package and learn how to get rid of your time-share! Free consultations. Over 450 positive reviews. Call 855-977-4979

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CASH PAID FOR HIGH-END

MEN'S SPORT WATCHES. Rolex, Breitling, Omega, Patek Philippe, Heuer, Daytona, GMT, Submariner and Speedmaster. These brands only! Call for a quote: 1-833-641-6058

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Jacuzzi Bath Remodel can install a new, custom bath or shower in as little as one day. For a limited time, waiving ALL installation costs! (Additional terms apply. Subject to change and vary by dealer.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 848-5646, Amendment #1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Bluegrass Natural Resources LLC, P.O. Box 487, Benham, Kentucky 40807 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.3 miles southwest of Partridge in Harlan County. The amendment will add 1.68 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 56.85 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 4.5 miles northeast from KY 160 junction with US 119 and located 0.17 miles northeast of Coldiron Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the Benham & Appalachia U.S.G.S. 7 ½ minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by ACIN LLC, Wilma Foutch, and David and Rhonda Creech.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue; Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mining Permits, 300 Sower Blvd., Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 848-5589 Transfer to 848-5666

1) In accordance with 405 KAR 8.010, notice is hereby given that JRL Coal Inc, 966 Hwy 990, Coalgood, KY 40818 intends to transfer permit number 848-5589 to 101 Coal, Inc, 966 Hwy 990, Coalgood, KY 40818. The new Permit Number will be 848-5666. The operation disturbs 22.64 surface acres. No new acreage is affected by this transfer.

2) The operation is located 0.50 miles northeast of Coalgood in Harlan County. The operation is approximately 1.50 miles northeast from US 421 Road junction with KY 990 and located 0.05 miles south of Turtle Creek.. The operation is located on the Harlan and Everts U.S.G.S. 7 ½ minute quadrangle maps.

3) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue; Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965. Written comments, objections, or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mining Permits, 300 Sower Blvd, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within (15) days of today's date

HARLAN MUNICIPAL WATER WORKS P O BOX 1151 HARLAM, KENTUCKY 40831-1151 PHONE: 606-573-1540 FAX: 606-573-1543		
PUBLIC NOTICE		
Harlan Municipal Water Works hereby informs that a 15% water rate increase will be effective and implemented on the January 1, 2026 Billing. The changes to the water rates are as follows:		
	Current Rate	Rates after 15% Increase
0 - 2,000 gallons (minimum)	14.75	16.97
2,000 – 10,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	4.45	5.12
10,000 – 25,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	4.08	4.70
25,000 – 100,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons)	3.58	4.12
100,000 – Balance (per 1,000 gallons)	3.19	3.67
A 3,000 gallons used water bill	19.20	22.09
A 4,000 gallons used water bill	23.65	27.21
A 5,000 gallons used water bill	28.10	32.33

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8.010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Harlan County.

NALLY & HAMILTON ENTERPRISES INC
8480426 NW 1 11/4/2025

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application No 848-0292 AM#1

(1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Nally & Hamilton Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 157; Bardstown, Kentucky 40004 (Phone: 502-348-0084), has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.5 miles southeast of Pathfork, Ky. in Harlan County. The amendment will add 4.55 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 158.87 acres within the amended permit boundary.

(2) The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.7 miles north from KY 987's junction with KY 2005 and located approximately 2.4 miles southeast of the town of Pathfork.

(3) The proposed amendment is located on the Ewing U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. surface area is owned by Hamilton Holdings. The operation will use the contour and auger/highwall mining methods of surface mining. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road KY HWY 2005. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

(4) The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, Kentucky 40965. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 300 Sower Blvd, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit Number 848-0433

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350, notice is hereby given that Bluegrass Natural Resources, LLC, P.O. Box 487, 158 Central Avenue, Benham, Kentucky 40807, has applied for a Phase 1 bond release on Permit 848-0433, Increment #1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and #9, which was last issued on September 18, 2025. This application covers a surface area of 95.36 acres of Surface disturbance and 186.38 acres of auger area for a total of 281.74 acres. The permit area is located on Foresters Creek in Harlan County.

The operation is located 2.0 miles southwest of Coldiron, in Harlan County. The operation is approximately 1.7 miles southwest from KY 3449's junction with US119 and located on Foresters Creek. The operation is located on the Wallins Creek U.S.G.S. 7 ½ minute quadrangle map.

The bonds now in effect for 848-0433 are surety bonds as follows: Increment #1 - \$75,000, Increment #2 - \$125,700, Increment #3 - \$12,800, Increment #4 - \$83,800, Increment #5 - \$86,700 and Increment #9 - \$75,000 of which approximately 60% of the original amounts are included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, grading and vegetative treatment completed during the spring of 2017.

comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Enforcement & Reclamation, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40601 by February 6, 2026.

A public hearing has been scheduled for February 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Division of Mine Reclamation & Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, KY 40965-1229. This hearing shall be canceled if the cabinet does not receive a request in writing, for the public hearing by February 6, 2026.

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit Number 848-0432

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350, notice is hereby given that Bluegrass Natural Resources, LLC, 158 Central Avenue, Benham, Kentucky 40807, has applied for a Phase 1 bond release on Permit 848-0432, Increment #1, #4 and #5, which was last issued on September 18, 2025. This application covers a surface area of 214.49 acres of Surface disturbance, 290.38 acres of auger area, for a total of 504.87 acres. The permit area is located on Rocky Branch of Puckett Creek in Harlan County.

The operation is located 1.0 miles north of Insull in Harlan County. The operation is approximately 3.0 miles east from KY 72's junction with US 119 and located on Rocky Branch. The latitude is 36-45-50 N. The longitude is 83-29-10 W. The operation is located on the Wallins U.S.G.S. 7 ½ minute quadrangle map.

The bonds now in effect for 848-0432 are surety bonds as follows: Increment #1 - \$309,300, Increment #4 - \$171,300 and Increment #5 - \$40,400 of which approximately 60% of the original amounts for increment #1 and #4 are included in the application for release. 100% of Increment #5 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling, grading and vegetative treatment completed during the Spring of 2012 and Spring of 2016.

Written comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Enforcement & Reclamation, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40601 by February 6, 2026.

A public hearing has been scheduled for February 9, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. at the Division of Mine Reclamation & Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Avenue, Middlesboro, KY 40965-1229. This hearing shall be canceled if the cabinet does not receive a request in writing, for the public hearing by February 6, 2026.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 848-5615, Renewal

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that JRL Coal, Inc., 966 Hwy 990, Coalgood, KY 40818, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 0.2 miles east of Kildav in Harlan County. The operation disturbs 192.21 surface acres, with an underlying 1137.66 acres.

(2) The operation is approximately 0.78 miles southwest from KY 38's junction with KY 215 and located 0.57 miles southeast of Clover Fork of the Cumberland River.

(3) The operation is located on the Everts 7 ½ minute quadrangle map. The surface area disturbed is owned by Mayo Energy, Tommy L Graham, Milt Middleton, Bianchi Real Estate, EJ McMillan, Wilson/McGeorge, Noah King, Douglas Prewitt Nelson. The operation underlies land owned by Mayo Energy and Tommy L Graham.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Middlesboro Regional Office, 1804 East Cumberland Ave, Middlesboro KY 40965. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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