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Fly management cost share pgm. available to local cattle farmers

The Morgan County Soil Conservation District is offering a best management program to help farmers improve livestock health and herd comfort. Participants who spend $200 will receive $100 back from the soil conservation district on qualifying fly control products. Twenty applications are available.

For more information, call the district at 606-743-3194, ext 101 or stop by the office at 955 Prestonsburg St., West Liberty and fill out an application.

Thanks For Reading The Courier!!!

Public Notices

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
Permit No. 888-0101
Inc. s's 6, 19 and 24

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Southbound Coal, LLC. 12500 St. Rd. 124, Piketon, Ohio 45661, has applied for a Phase III bond release on Inc. #'s 6, and 24 and Phase II & III bond release for increment 19 on permit # 888-0101, which was last issued on October 10, 2024. The application covers an area of approximately 652.71 acres located 0.99 miles southwest of White Oak in Morgan County. The operation is approximately 0.89 miles southwest from US Route 460's junction with May Br. Rd on Mays Branch of White Oak Creek and Wells Branch of Caney Ck.

The bonds now in effect for increment 19 in the amount of $35,200.00 is included in this application for bond release, increment 6 in the amount of $12,900.00 is included in this application for bond release, increment 24 in the amount of $11.000.00 is included in this application for bond release. The bond now in effect for, of which a release of the original bond amount is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes Grading, seeding, and mulching, and successful establishment of the post-mining land use, which was completed in August of 2019.

Written comments, objections, or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Field Services, 300 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 November 30,2026.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 10:00 am. on December 2, 2026 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Hazard Field office, 556 Village Lane, Hazard, Kentucky 41702. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by November 30, 2026.

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Ky. teens encouraged to buckle up and stay focused behind the wheel

National Teen Driver Safety Week runs through Saturday, Oct. 24th

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Oct. 14, 2026) – As National Teen Driver Safety Week approaches, Team Kentucky is joining the national effort to protect young drivers and save lives by encouraging teens to buckle up, stay focused behind the wheel, and talk with their parents about safe driving behaviors.

"Through year-round programs and teen-focused initiatives, we give students opportunities to learn the importance of making safe choices behind the wheel," said Transportation Cabinet Secretary Rebecca Goodman. "By giving young people the knowledge and tools they need, we can help keep our people safe and shape better drivers for the future."

The Teen Driver Safety Week campaign, spearheaded by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), is one of several school and community programs supported by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Office of Highway Safety to promote safer roadways. Throughout the year, outreach programs and hands-on activities are offered, such as a rollover crash simulator to encourage seat belt use, the Ghost Out program aimed at sober driving, and others.

These educational campaigns are focused on not only engaging young drivers in highway safety, but also on driving down injuries and fatalities on Kentucky roadways. In September, Team Kentucky announced the winners of the second Safe Teen Driving Challenge – an initiative to promote safe habits in teens across the state by giving personalized driving insights through the DriveWell Go app and reward the top five scorers win sponsored cash prizes.

Over the past three years in Kentucky, there have been more than 49,000 crashes involving a teenage driver, resulting in more than 13,000 injuries and 197 deaths. NHTSA reports that motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens in the United States. Per mile driven, teens are involved in three times as many fatal crashes as all other drivers.

To help reduce those numbers, teens and their parents are encouraged to discuss safe driving habits such as buckling up, staying focused behind the wheel, obeying speed limits, and avoiding impaired or drowsy driving.

Those are highlighted in NHTSA's six basic rules for the road:

1.) Avoid Distracted Driving: Keep your eyes and attention on the road. Avoid texting, phone use, eating, adjusting controls, and other distractions.

2.) Wear Seat Belts: Buckle up on every trip. Seat belts are one of the most effective ways to prevent serious injury or death in a crash.

3.) Minimize Passengers: Having multiple teen passengers increases the chance of risky driving behaviors and fatal crashes.

4.) Obey Speed Limits: Speeding reduces a driver's ability to react and safely navigate unexpected situations.

5.) Drive Sober: Alcohol, marijuana and other drugs can impair judgment, coordination and reaction time. Never drive impaired.

6.) Don't Drive Drowsy: Lack of sleep can slow reaction time and increase the risk of making driving errors. Make sleep a priority before getting behind the wheel.

For more information and statistics on teen driving, visit NHTSA's website www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/teen-driving.

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NOTICE OF SEALED-BID SALE

2024 MACK MD7 DUMP TRUCK

The Morgan County Fiscal Court will accept sealed bids for the sale of the following vehicle:

- 2024 Mack MD7 dump truck • 29,044 miles
- 6.7-liter Cummins diesel engine
- Automatic transmission
- 1 0-foot Logan dump body
- Pintle hitch
- Trailer air-brake ready



BIDS DUE: OCTOBER 29, 2026

Sealed bids must be submitted to the Morgan County Judge-Executive's Office, 1412 KY 7, West Liberty, KY 41472, by October 29, 2026. Bids may be mailed or hand-delivered Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. EDT.

Bids may also be delivered in person at the Morgan County Fiscal Court meeting at 6 p.m. EDT on October 29, 2026, in the Morgan County Fiscal Courtroom, 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, KY 41472. Sealed bids will be publicly opened during that meeting.

Each sealed envelope must be marked "SEALED BID -TRUCK" and include the bidder's name and address on the outside.

Vehicle inspection: Prospective bidders are encouraged to inspect the truck before submitting a bid. To schedule an inspection, contact the Morgan County Road Department at 606-743-4704.

The truck is sold AS IS, WHERE IS, with no warranties or guarantees, express or implied. The bidder is responsible for determining the vehicle's condition before submitting a bid and for all transportation, insurance, registration, and applicable transfer fees.

The Morgan County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids, waive informalities, and accept the bid or bids deemed to be in the best interest of Morgan County.

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