

**KYTC AND KDFWR
MITIGATION PROPERTY TRANSFER AGREEMENT
SOUTH SHORE WETLAND MITIGATION SITE**

The KYTC has entered into an agreement with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) that will give KYTC the option to transfer mitigation properties to KDFWR while keeping our use of the mitigation credits for the delivery of highway projects. In doing so, KYTC is meeting the goals of the US Army Corps of Engineers and will give KDFWR the opportunity to protect and maintain the wetland and stream resources in perpetuity. The first such site transferred under this agreement is the South Shore Wetland Mitigation Site. The South Shore Wetland Mitigation Site is a 90 acre tract of land located in Greenup County, Kentucky along the Ohio River. The KYTC created 28.20 acres of wetland habitat for the mitigation of wetland impacts associated with highway construction in northeastern Kentucky. A total of 28.20 wetland credits were established for the mitigation site. Currently four KYTC projects have debited a total of 6.23 credits from the South Shore Wetland Mitigation Site. The remaining balance of 20.47 credits will be used for future KYTC projects.

The mitigation property has been monitored for three years to insure that our goals to establish wetland habitat have been met. Once success was established, the site was transferred to the KDFWR. Obtaining the South Shore Wetland Mitigation benefits KDFWR by enabling the agency to meet its long-term goals of developing management areas along the Ohio River. KYTC benefits by satisfying its mitigation requirements of long-term protection of the site, while retaining unused mitigation credits for future transportation projects. KYTC and KDFWR view the wetland mitigation sites as a benefit to both the efficient delivery of highway projects and as a contribution to the preservation, protection and enhancement of aquatic and wildlife resources and wetland habitat. Both parties agree that this cooperative partnership benefits not only the resources, but ultimately benefits the citizens of the Commonwealth.