

Floodplain Development, Outer Bluegrass



Floodplains, like that above in the Outer Bluegrass of Spencer County, are deposits of silt, sand, and gravel overlying bedrock. Although homes have been located in floodplains, agriculture and recreation are better land use choices for areas subject to flooding. Yards in an upscale subdivision along the Ohio River in Oldham County are being threatened by erosion. Stone riprap groins have been added to slow the process. Photos by Stephen Greb, Kentucky Geological Survey.

