

Stone for Construction, Outer Bluegrass



The Laurel Dolomite has been quarried in several parts of the Nelson County Outer Bluegrass for road metal (rock base), asphalt filler, aggregate, and concrete. Dolomite was used as a building stone for many stepping stones, foundations, walls, and historic homes in the county. Siltstone from the Borden Formation ("creekrock") has been used for stepping stones, foundations, and facing stones on buildings and homes. Photo by Stephen Greb, Kentucky Geological Survey.

Sand and Gravel, Outer Bluegrass Region



Dredging sand and gravel from glacial outwash at Martin-Marietta Aggregates in Boone County. Photo by Richard Smath, Kentucky Geological Survey.