

Ancient River Valleys—Inner Bluegrass Region



The valley remains, but the river is gone. High-level deposits of silt, clay, sand, and gravel along Mundys Landing Road in southern Woodford County are remnants of the ancient Kentucky River that flowed through the Inner Bluegrass 5 million years ago. At that time, the land was uplifted, diverting the river to its current course. There are a number of these old valleys in the uplands along the Kentucky River. Photo by Dan Carey, Kentucky Geological Survey.