

Geology—Bluegrass Hills Region



The bedrock of the Bluegrass Hills Region has a higher shale content than that of the Inner and Outer Bluegrass. The shale breaks down quickly when exposed, leaving the limestone without support. Collapsed limestone rubble slips down the shale at this road-cut on Ky. 53 in Washington County. Cedar trees quickly reclaim an exposed slope. Photo by Dan Carey, Kentucky Geological Survey.