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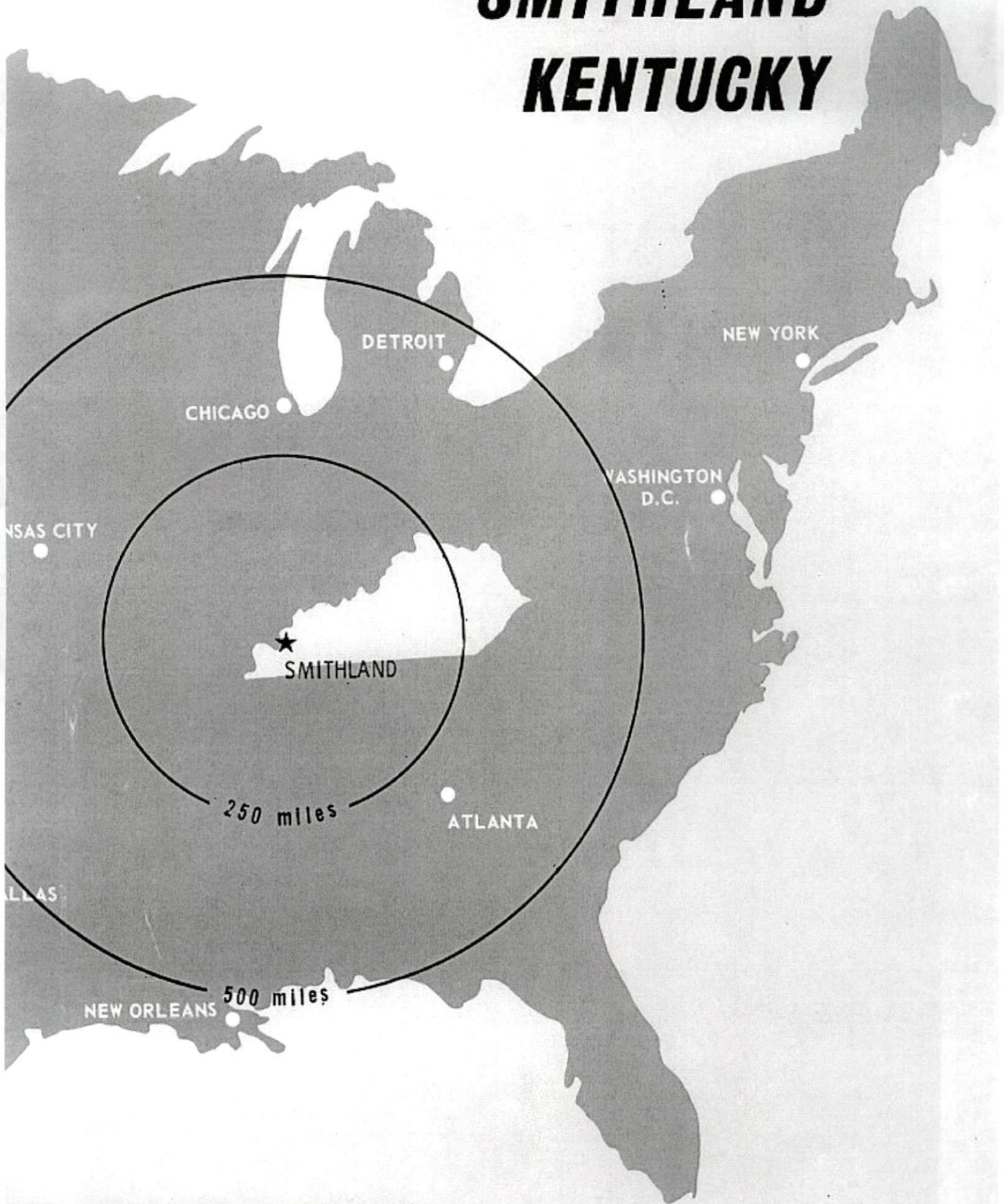
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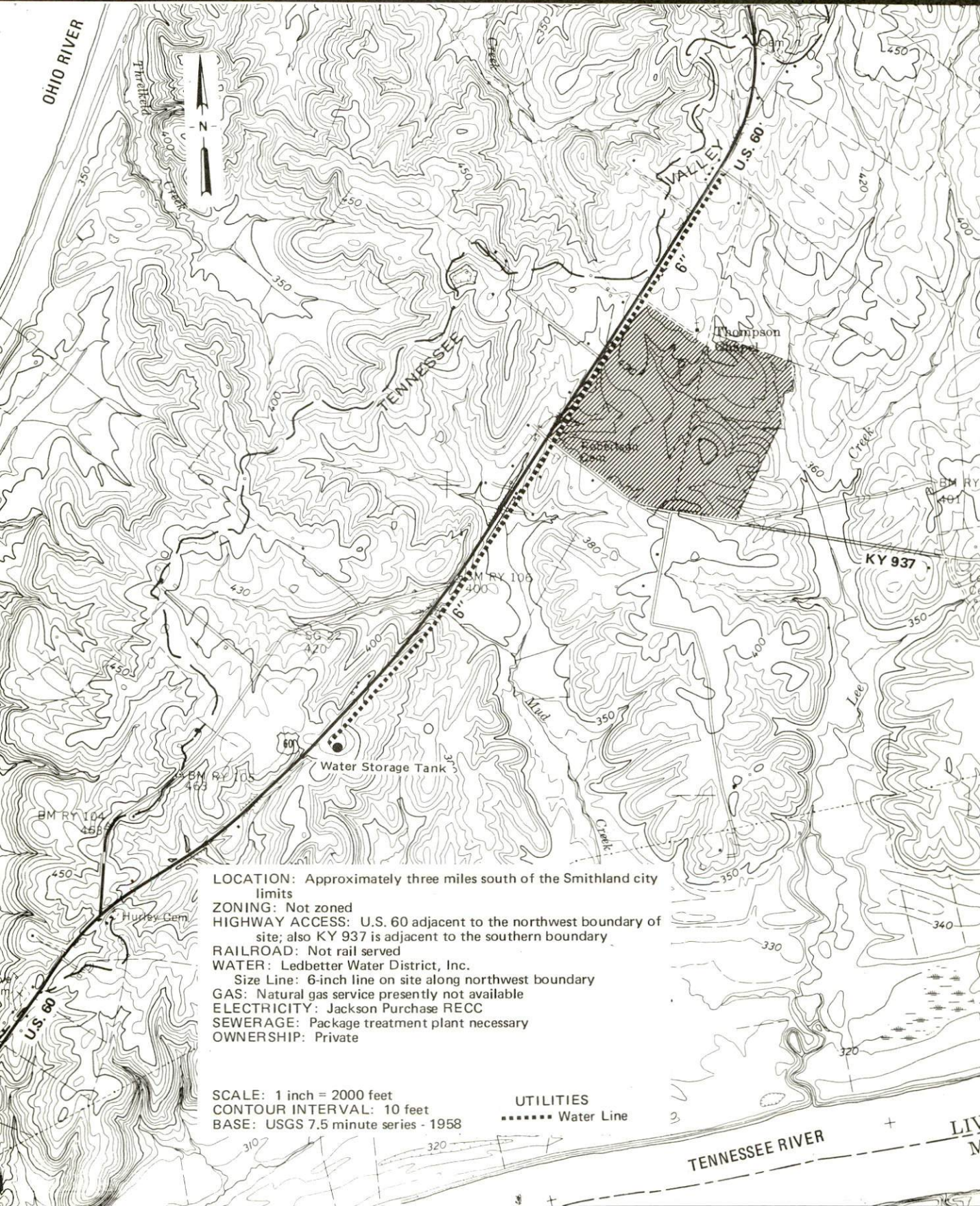
# SMITHLAND KENTUCKY



LIVINGSTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

# SMITHLAND, KENTUCKY --- Site No. 176 -- 165 Acres

For more information contact Mr. Kean McKinney, Jackson Purchase RECC, 2900 Irvin Cobb Drive (Beltline), Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or the Industrial Development Division, Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



**LOCATION:** Approximately three miles south of the Smithland city limits  
**ZONING:** Not zoned  
**HIGHWAY ACCESS:** U.S. 60 adjacent to the northwest boundary of site; also KY 937 is adjacent to the southern boundary  
**RAILROAD:** Not rail served  
**WATER:** Ledbetter Water District, Inc.  
Size Line: 6-inch line on site along northwest boundary  
**GAS:** Natural gas service presently not available  
**ELECTRICITY:** Jackson Purchase RECC  
**SEWERAGE:** Package treatment plant necessary  
**OWNERSHIP:** Private

**SCALE:** 1 inch = 2000 feet  
**CONTOUR INTERVAL:** 10 feet  
**BASE:** USGS 7.5 minute series - 1958

**UTILITIES**  
----- Water Line

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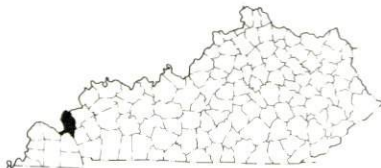
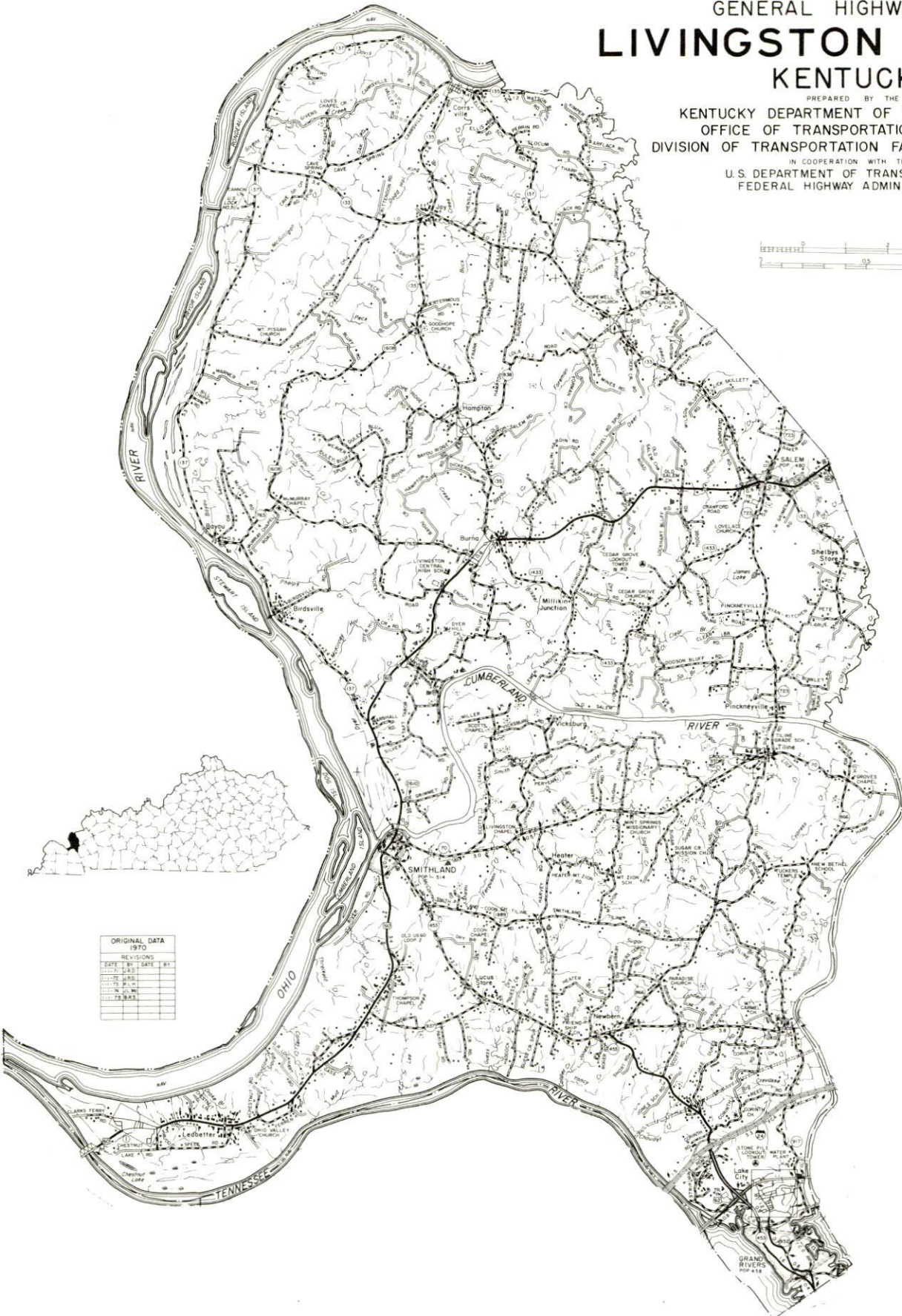
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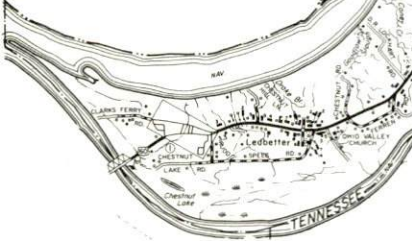
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP LIVINGSTON COUNTY KENTUCKY

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ORIGINAL DATA 1970	
REVISIONS	
DATE BY	DATE BY
1970	
1971	
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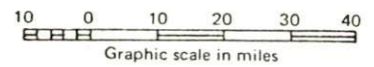
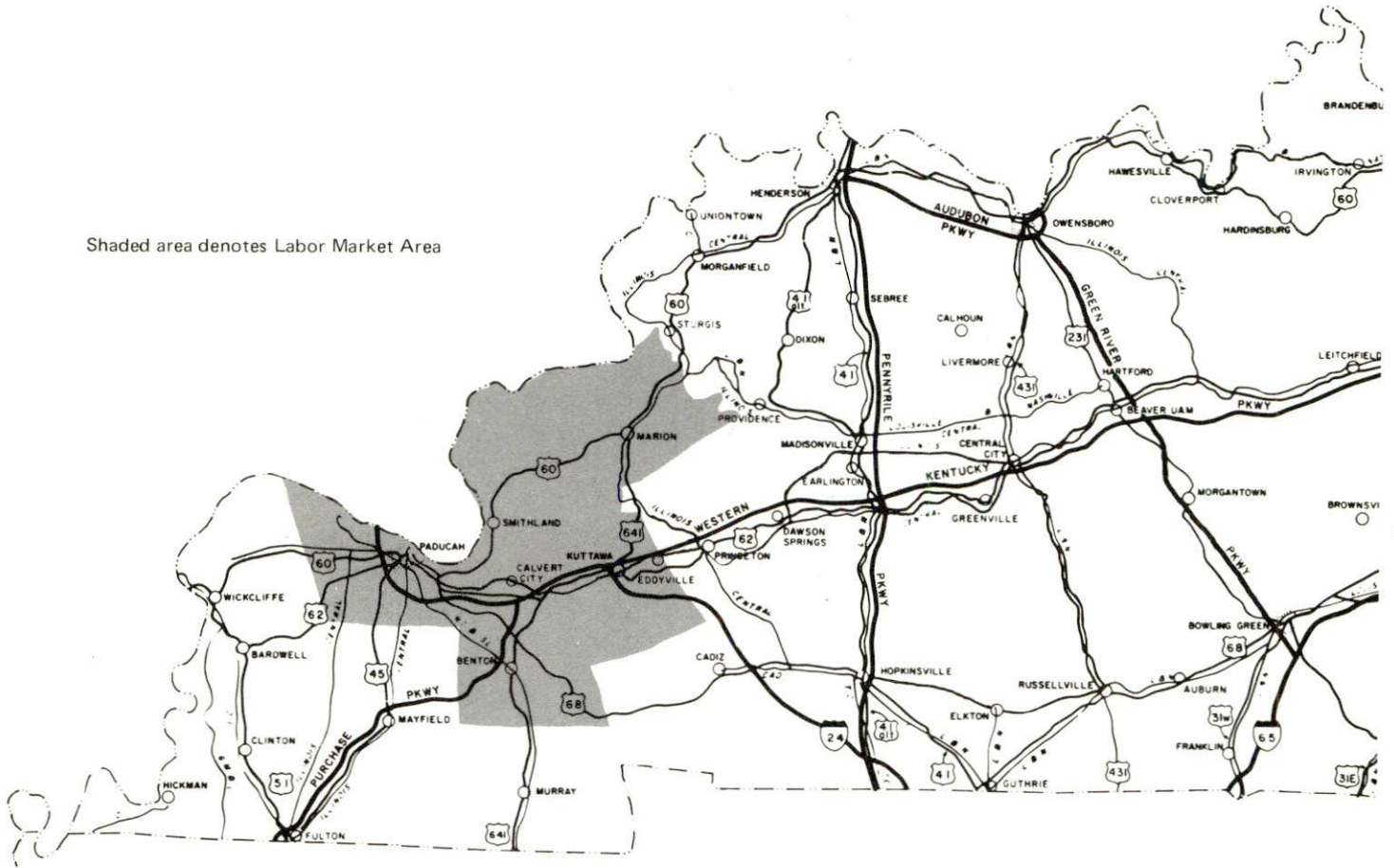




# SMITHLAND LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area



## SMITHLAND, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Smithland, county seat of Livingston County, is located at the mouth of the Cumberland River and on the eastern bank of the Ohio River in southwestern Kentucky. The city is 18 miles northeast of Paducah, Kentucky; 201 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; 147 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; and 205 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. In 1973, Smithland had an estimated population of 572.

Livingston County covers 311 square miles and is located in the Mississippian Plateau physiographic region of Kentucky. The county is bordered by the Ohio River to the west, the Tennessee River to the south, and is bisected from east to west by the Cumberland River. In 1974, the county had a population of 8,400.

### The Economic Framework

The total number of Livingston County residents employed in 1974 averaged 5,930, including 250 in agriculture and 440 in government. Manufacturing employers in the county reported 55 workers, and trade and services firms employed 420. Major industrial products are: limestone products, aggregate, and agricultural lime.

Total unemployment in Livingston County averaged 3.2 percent of the labor force in 1974.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1973 was \$4,202, an increase of 65.8 percent since 1969.

The Smithland labor market area includes Livingston and the four adjoining counties. The total number of residents of the labor market area employed in 1974 averaged 46,680, including 1,610 in agriculture and 6,365 in government. Manufacturing employers in the labor market area reported 10,040 workers, and trade and services firms employed 12,250.

### Resources for Growth

1. Labor Supply - There is a current labor supply of 4,730 men and 5,190 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 4,720 young men and 4,570 young women in the area will become 18 years of age before 1981 and potentially available for work.

2. Transportation - The nearest rail service to Smithland is available at Paducah through the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, and The Burlington Northern Railroad. Smithland is served by U. S. Highway 60 and Kentucky Routes 70 and 453. Five trucking lines serve Smithland. Commercial air service is available at Barkley Field, 8 miles west of Paducah and 26 miles southwest of Smithland. Smithland is located at the mouth of the Cumberland River and on the eastern bank of the Ohio River affording the community water transportation capabilities.

3. Energy and fuel - Smithland and Livingston County are supplied electric power by the Jackson Purchase Electric Cooperative Corporation. Natural gas service is not available in Smithland. Four distributors of propane and five distributors of distillate fuel oil serve Smithland.

4. Education - The Livingston County School System operates the public schools in Livingston County. One university and one community college are located within 50 miles of Smithland. Two vocational training facilities - the West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School offering 13 course areas, and the Paducah Area Vocational Education Center offering 19 course areas - are located in Paducah, 18 miles southwest of Smithland.

## THE LABOR MARKET AREA

### POPULATION

<u>Area</u>	<u>1974*</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Percent Nonwhite</u> <u>1970</u>
Smithland	572**	514	N. A.
Labor Market Area			
Area	104,600	100,313	
Livingston County	8,400	7,596	0.7
Crittenden County	9,400	8,493	1.2
Lyon County	5,900	5,562	7.5
McCracken County	59,000	58,281	10.4
Marshall County	21,900	20,381	0.2

\*Provisional Estimates.

\*\*1973 Population Estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 562, June 1975; Series P-26, No. 120, June 1975.

### GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1974

<u>Major Employment Group</u>	<u>Employment by Place of Residence</u> <u>of Workers</u>	
	<u>Livingston County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total Employment	5,933	46,682
Agriculture	249	1,614
Government	437	6,365
	<u>Employment by Location of Jobs</u>	
	<u>Livingston County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Manufacturing	55	10,042
Trade and Services	418	12,246

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Bureau for Administration and Operation.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY  
MARCH 1975

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Livingston County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	55	9,163
Food & Kindred Products	3	413
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	0	1,251
Lumber, Furniture	49	367
Printing & Publishing, Paper	0	345
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal, Rubber	0	3,979
Stone, Clay & Glass	3	112
Primary Metals	0	919
Machinery, Metal Products, Equipment	0	1,760
Other	0	17

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, March, 1975.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS,  
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
<u>Grand Rivers</u>				
Averitt Lumber Company, Inc. (1969)	Hardwood lumber, industrial timbers and wood chips	27	27	0
Lake Paving Company	Asphalt	20	20	0
<u>Smithland</u>				
Smith Meat Processing Company (1972)	Custom slaughtering	20	10	10
Three Rivers Rock Company (1966)	Limestone products, aggregate, agricul- tural lime	150	142	8

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

There are no labor unions currently representing manufacturing workers in Livingston County.

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY  
SMITHLAND LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age before 1981
Labor Market					
Area	4,730	1,640	1,570	1,520	4,721
Livingston	300	0	130	170	325
Crittenden	280	0	140	140	393
Lyon	140	0	70	70	209
McCracken	1,550	0	730	820	2,808
Marshall	2,460	1,640	500	320	986

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1975. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1981.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY  
SMITHLAND LABOR MARKET AREA

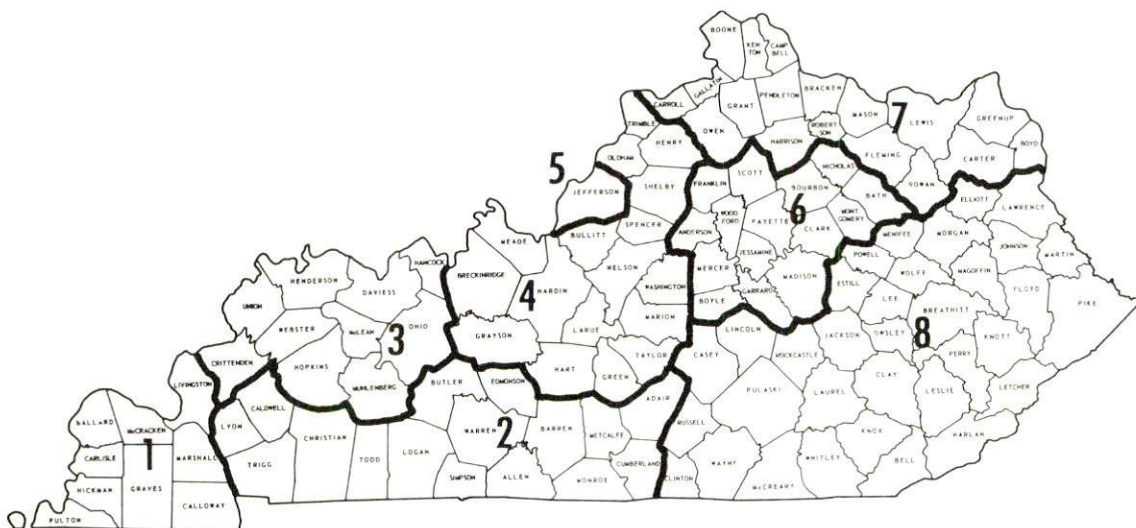
Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age before 1981
Labor Market					
Area	5,190	2,530	730	1,930	4,574
Livingston	190	0	60	130	304
Crittenden	220	0	70	150	378
Lyon	130	0	60	70	173
McCracken	2,250	800	320	1,130	2,767
Marshall	2,400	1,730	220	450	952

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1975. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1981.

## WAGES

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by industrial employers is protected from disclosure by federal law. The most reliable up-to-date wage information can be obtained by direct contact with local employers.

Associated Industries of Kentucky, a voluntary organization of Kentucky businesses, regularly collects occupational wage rates and fringe benefits data from participating member firms. Data is compiled for over 130 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for eight regions of Kentucky, as shown on the map below. It should be noted that the data may be weighted by the preponderance of firms in the larger cities and may be somewhat higher than the rates paid in the smaller communities. Data from these tabulations are available, upon request, from the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



Associated Industries of Kentucky Area Wage Surveys

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Livingston County	\$4,202	\$2,535	65.8
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$3,441 - 4,304	\$2,265 - 3,149	N. A.
Kentucky	4,050	2,894	39.9
U. S.	5,041	3,733	35.1

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics, Survey of Current Business, August, 1974. U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, April, 1975.



## TRANSPORTATION

### Rail

Nearest lines serving Smithland - Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, Louisville and Nashville Railroad, and Burlington Northern Railroad at Paducah, 18 miles southwest of Smithland

For details on routing, schedules, rates, and services, contact:

Manager of Industrial Development  
Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company  
112 North 4th Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63102  
(314) 241-9400

and/or

Manager of Industrial Development  
Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company  
908 West Broadway  
Louisville, Kentucky 40203  
(502) 587-5000

and/or

Sales Manager  
Burlington Northern Railroad Company  
102 West Noleman  
Centralia, Illinois 62801  
(618) 532-4621

### Highways

Smithland is served by U. S. Highway 60 and Kentucky Routes 70 and 453. Access to the Purchase Parkway, which crosses southwestern Kentucky to the Tennessee state line, is available 15 miles south of Smithland, where Interstate 24, upon completion, will adjoin the Purchase Parkway. The Western Kentucky Parkway, a major highway artery connecting western Kentucky with the central portion of the state, originates 26 miles east of Smithland.

Truck Service

Company

Home Office

A & H Truck Line, Inc.

1111 East Louisiana Street  
Evansville, Indiana 47717

Harper Truck Service, Inc.

1266 North 8th Street  
Paducah, Kentucky 42002

McLean Trucking Company

617 Waughtown Street  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
27107

Tennessee Cartage  
Company, Inc.

809 Ewing Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Other Freight Services

Nearest Shipping Center

United Parcel Service

Paducah, 18 miles away

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM  
SMITHLAND, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Delivery		City	Delivery	
	Highway Miles	Time TL		Highway Miles	Time TL
Atlanta, Ga.	389	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,050	4
Birmingham, Ala.	343	2	Louisville, Ky.	201	1
Chicago, Ill.	426	1	Nashville, Tenn.	147	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	302	1	New Orleans, La.	610	3
Cleveland, Ohio	549	2	New York, N. Y.	961	3
Detroit, Mich.	561	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	592	3
Knoxville, Tenn.	324	2	St. Louis, Mo.	205	1

Source: Delivery Time Only - Harper Truck Service, Inc., 1266 North  
8th Street, Paducah, Kentucky 42002.

## Air

### Nearest Commercial

	Barkley Field
Location:	8 miles west of Paducah (26 miles from Smithland)
Runways:	2 paved
Length:	6,500 feet; 4,000 feet
Traffic	
Control:	Tower, ground control
Lighting:	Beacon, boundary, obstruction runway lights and runway end identification lights, medium intensity approach lighting system
Services:	Delta and Ozark Airlines, 80 and 100 octane, JA-1 fuel, taxi, limousine, U-Drive-It, storage, Major A & E repairs, restaurant
Air Freight	
Service:	Accepted on a space available basis

Bus - Southern Greyhound Bus Lines

Rental Services - Nearest car, truck, and trailer rentals at Paducah,  
18 miles away.

## Water

Smithland is located at the mouth of the Cumberland River and on the eastern bank of the Ohio River, affording the community with water transportation capabilities. Two private barge loading facilities are presently operating within 5 miles of Smithland on the Cumberland River.

Smithland Locks and Dam, a U. S. Army Corps of Engineers project located 2 miles above the mouth of the Cumberland River, is under construction as a replacement structure for two existing obsolete locks and dams.

## POWER AND FUEL

### Electricity

Company serving Smithland and Livingston County - Jackson Purchase  
Electric Cooperative Corporation  
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company  
Total generating capacity - 1,615,500 KW  
For industrial rates contact:

Jackson Purchase Electric Cooperative Corporation  
P. O. Box 3188  
2900 Irvin Cobb Drive  
Paducah, Kentucky 42001  
(502) 442-7321

### Natural Gas

Natural gas service is not available in Smithland.

### Other Fuels

#### Propane and butane

George F. Harris Distributing Company, Salem  
True Value Hardware, Smithland  
Texgas Corporation, 1011 North Beltline Highway, Paducah  
Fortner L. P. Gas Company, Cadiz Road, Princeton

### Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil -

Petroleum Warehouse, Inc., Salem  
Livingston County Oil, Grand Rivers  
Standard Oil Company, 1000 South 8th Street, Paducah  
Sun Oil Company, 1006 South 10th Street, Paducah  
Phillips 66 Fuel Oils, 1102 South 3rd Street, Paducah

Residual fuel oil - Arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Low sulphur content coal - Available in Kentucky.

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

### Water

Company serving Smithland - Smithland Water and Sewerage System  
City Hall  
Smithland, Kentucky  
(502) 928-2446

Source - Wells

Treatment plant capacity - 65,500 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 30,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 33,000 gallons

Type treatment - Aeration, filtration, chlorination

Storage capacity - 175,000 gallons

Size lines - 8 and 6 inches

Average pressure - 80 psi

Average temperature - 55 degrees F.

### MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

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First	2,000 gallons	\$5.50 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	1.93 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	1.43 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.10 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	.88 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	.66 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	.55 per M gallons
Next	70,000 gallons	.44 per M gallons

Tap-on charge: \$150

Name of water district - Ledbetter Water District\*  
Box 2  
Ledbetter, Kentucky 42058  
(502) 898-3236

Area served - Ledbetter area - from the Tennessee River north along  
U. S. Highway 60 toward Smithland

Date when water district began operating - November 1971

Source of raw water - Two deep wells

Capacity of treatment plant - 162,000 gpd\*\*

Type of treatment - Prechlorination, filtration, softening

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 72,000 gallons

Storage capacity - 128,000 gallons

Average pressure - 82 psi

Average temperature - 52 degrees F.

Size lines - 6 and 4 inches

Monthly fees -

2,000 gallons	\$ 5.25 (Minimum)
3,000 gallons	7.77
5,000 gallons	12.81
10,000 gallons	23.31
15,000 gallons	31.19
20,000 gallons	36.44

Tap-on charge:                   \$200 - residential  
  300 - commercial

Surface water sources - Ohio River and Cumberland River

Average discharge - Ohio River - unlimited; Cumberland River near  
Grand Rivers, Kentucky, 9 years (1965-74, since opening of Barkley-  
Kentucky Canal) 37,300 cfs, unadjusted

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along Ohio River; 50  
to 200 gpm along Cumberland River as it flows along the county's  
eastern boundary; 5 to 50 gpm in north central, central, and southern  
portions of the county; 5 gpm or less in remainder of county

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\*An expansion project is planned which will double the capacity of the  
water treatment facilities.

\*\*Based on two 75 gpm pumps, pumping 18 hours a day.

Sewerage

Company serving Smithland - Smithland Water and Sewerage System  
City Hall  
Smithland, Kentucky  
(502) 928-2446

Design capacity - 100,000 gpd

Average daily flow - 20,000 gallons

Treatment - Secondary

Type treatment - Aeration, chlorination, lagoon system

Treated effluent discharged into - Cumberland River

Size of sanitary mains - 8 inches

Size of storm mains - 36 and 24 inches

Rates - 100 percent of monthly water bill

Tap-on charge: \$300

## CLIMATE

### Livingston County

#### Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	59.4 degrees
Average annual 1974	58.8 degrees
Record highest, July, 1954 (32-year record)	104.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1963 (32-year record)	- 5.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	3,833
(Heating degree day total are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

#### Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	47.12 inches
Mean annual snowfall (32-year record)	9.50 inches
Total precipitation 1974	37.91 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (32-year record)	115
Average number days thunderstorms (22-year record)	53

#### Prevailing Winds (22-year record)

Southwest

#### Relative Humidity (22-year record)

6 a. m.	82 percent
12 noon	59 percent

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1974. Station of record: Cairo, Illinois.



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### City

Structure - Board of Trustees: Chairman and 4 board members -  
2-year terms  
Budget 1975 - General Fund \$ 6,100  
Water and Sewer Fund 38,990  
Fees and licenses - None

### County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 4 magistrates - 4-year terms  
Budget 1974-75 - General Fund \$111,720; Road Fund \$35,540

### Assessed Value of Property, 1975

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Livingston County</u>
Real Estate	\$52,531,810
Tangibles	16,301,712

### Property Taxes

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.015 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.15 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, pollution control equipment, and goods in process inventories are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

All property is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Local Property Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1975\*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Smithland</u>	<u>Livingston County</u>
County	\$ .154	\$ .154
School	.339	.339
City	.250	
Special (not county wide): Fire Protection		
	Woodland	\$ .020
	Ledbetter	.100
	Grand Lakes	.100

Planning and Zoning

County agency - Livingston County Planning Commission

Zoning - There are no zoning regulations enforced in Livingston County.

Mandatory state codes enforced - Plumbing, National Fire Protection Association Code, National Building Code (for major buildings and residential construction containing more than 12 bedrooms per building)

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Livingston County</u>
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Total staff	3 full-time
Radio-patrol cars	7 privately owned

<u>Fire</u>	<u>Smithland</u>
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American Insurance Association Fire Rating	10
Volunteers	12 active

\*Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1975.

Rescue Service

Livingston County Disaster and Emergency Service:

Number of volunteers - 26

Equipment - Pickup truck, 2 boats and 2 motors, 2 generators,  
dragging equipment, first aid equipment

Personnel training - Red Cross First Aid Training Course, 2 certified  
emergency medical technicians, annual training course for emer-  
gency and rescue squads

Solid Waste

	<u>Smithland</u>	<u>Livingston County</u>
Type service	Private	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$2.50 per month	\$2.50 per month
business	By contract	By contract
industrial	By contract	By contract
Collection frequency:		
residential	Once weekly	Once weekly
business	By contract	By contract
industrial	By contract	By contract
Disposal method	Sanitary landfill	Sanitary landfill

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

#### Livingston County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1975)	1,749
Elementary	1,203
High School	546
 Student-Teacher Ratio	 22-1
Elementary	25-1
High School	19-1
 Percent High School Graduates to College	  16.4
Expenditures Per Pupil (1974-75)	\$646.84
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1975	\$229,000

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles Distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1974)</u>	<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
Paducah Community College	Paducah (18)	1,320	Associate
Murray State University	Murray, (43)	7,885	Masters, Ph. D.*

\*Cooperative program with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, for a Ph. D. in education only.

## Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
Location	West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School Paducah	Paducah Area Vocational Education Center Paducah
Miles Distant	18	18
Curriculum	Business and Office Occupations Commercial Foods Barbering Cosmetology Architectural Drafting Appliance Repair Auto Body Repair and Painting Auto Mechanics Carpentry Electronics Industrial Electricity Masonry Tailoring	Marketing and Distributive Education Health Careers Nurse Aide Licensed Practical Nursing Surgical Technician Ward Clerk Electronics Civil and Highway Technology Refrigeration, Air Conditioning, Appliance Repair, and Heating Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Cosmetology Drafting Electricity Machine Shop Service Station Attendant Small Engine Repair Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

## HEALTH

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 3

Dentists - 1

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Livingston County Hospital	Salem, 16 miles northeast of Smith- land in Livingston County	32

General hospital facilities - Laboratory, emergency room, operating room, delivery room, X-ray room, nursery, blood bank

Medical staff - 3 physicians, 9 registered nurses, 5 licensed practical nurses, 2 lab technicians, 1 X-ray technician, 1 lab X-ray technician

In addition, two general hospitals are located in Paducah, 18 miles miles southwest of Smithland. The Western Baptist Hospital, with 283 beds, and the Lourdes Hospital, with 256 beds, provide modern hospital facilities and a wide range of health care services.

### Other Medical Facilities

Mental Health Center - Smithland

### Ambulance Service

Name - Livingston County Ambulance Service

Staff - 2

Service - 24-hour service, county-wide

Equipment - 1 ambulance, fully equipped

### Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Personal care home	1	38

Public Health

Facility - Livingston County Health Department

Staff - 1 registered nurse, 1 health environmentalist, 1 medical  
clinician, 1 dental clinician, 1 health service aide, and 1 clerk

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Communications

Telephone - Kentucky Telephone Company  
Services - Standard

Telegraph - Western Union  
Services - Telephone to Paducah

Postal - U. S. Post Office  
Revenue Units - 205  
Mail received - Once daily  
Mail dispatched - Once daily

Newspapers - Livingston Ledger  
Weekly and circulation - 2,180  
Other papers received from - Paducah and Louisville, Kentucky;  
Evansville, Indiana

Radio -  
Stations received from - Paducah and Louisville, Kentucky;  
Evansville, Indiana; Nashville, Tennessee

Television -  
Reception from - Paducah, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana; Cape  
Girardeau, Missouri; Harrisburg, Illinois  
Kentucky Educational  
Television - Channel 35, Madisonville transmitter; Channel 21,  
Murray transmitter  
Illinois Educational  
Television - Channel 8, Carbondale transmitter

### Library Services

Bookmobile service is provided by the Paducah Public Library.

### Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 5  
Denominations - Baptist, Church of Christ, Church of God, Methodist,  
Pentecostal

Nearest Synagogue - Paducah, 18 miles southwest  
Congregation - Temple Israel (reform)



Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
Salem Bank (Smithland Branch)	\$13,548,240.59	\$12,387,419.08	6/30/75

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 1  
Total units - 25

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Lions

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, VFW, American Legion

Women's - Women's Club, Eastern Star, Homemakers

Youth - 4-H, FFA, FHA, Little League, Livingston County Riding  
Club, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts

Other - Hello Club, PTA

## RECREATION

### Local

Public recreation facilities at Smithland include a park, 2 playgrounds, tennis court, baseball diamond, and a boat dock and ramp.

### Area (Within 55 miles)

Smithland is located near two of the largest inland lakes in America, Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley, which include over 3,300 miles of shoreline. This lakeland area offers numerous recreational facilities for water sports, fishing, boating, camping, and hunting.

Located around this lakeland area are three of the state's finest resort parks - Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park, Kenlake State Resort Park, and Lake Barkley State Resort Park. All three parks offer the following facilities:

- Lakeside locations
- Lodge, cottage, and camping accommodations
- Dining rooms, picnic area, and gift shops
- Golf, swimming, fishing, boat rentals,
- horseback riding, tennis, playgrounds,
- and planned recreation.

Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, a 170,000-acre woodland formed into a peninsula by Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley, is a major area for outdoor recreation, conservation, and environmental learning. There are facilities for fishing, boating, hiking, swimming, hunting, and camping.

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park, located 53 miles southeast of Smithland, is comprised of 435 acres with a resort lodge, cottages, and camping facilities. The park's features include a 55-acre lake, swimming, boating, golfing, horseback riding, hiking, and picnic and playground areas.

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

### Recent:

1. Several businesses have remodeled their facilities.
2. Over 1,000 feet of sidewalks along the major streets of Smithland have been replaced.
3. A new fire station has been completed for the Smithland Fire Department.
4. A fire district has been organized in the Ledbetter area.
5. A public boat ramp has been built for community use.
6. A county-wide ambulance service has been established.
7. A tennis court has been added to the park facilities.
8. The Livingston County Hospital at Salem has renovated its building and is adding another section for use as a laboratory and storage. Blood bank services are now available at the hospital.

### Planned:

1. The city of Smithland plans to construct a picnic shelter and restrooms at the ball park.
2. The Ledbetter Water District plans to double the capacity of its water treatment facilities. Application for a loan has already been submitted.

Underway:

1. The Livingston County School System is constructing a new elementary school at Ledbetter.
2. Construction is underway on a recreation area located on U. S. Highway 60 north of Smithland. Facilities will include a shelter house and picnic area.
3. The Smithland Lock and Dam, a U. S. Corps of Engineers project, is being constructed 2 miles above the mouth of the Cumberland River as a replacement structure for two existing obsolete locks and dams. When completed this one-half mile wide dam crossing the Ohio River will provide added flood control and recreation to Smithland and Livingston County.

## HISTORY

Livingston County is located in the southwestern part of Kentucky and covers 311 square miles. The Ohio River flows along the county's northern and western sides and the Tennessee River along its southern side. The Cumberland River flows along part of the county's eastern boundary and then bisects the county. Fully three-fourths of its boundary line is water which gives it a rare geographical existence. The county contains two dams whose rivers are connected by a canal. The Kentucky Dam is on the Tennessee River and the Barkley Dam is on the Cumberland River, and their backwaters are connected by a canal slightly more than a mile long. The general appearance of the county is rolling, but it is hilly and broken in places. The river bottoms are rich and agricultural production is good. Principal mineral resources of the county are limestone, sand and gravel, zinc, and fluorspar.

Livingston County, the twenty-ninth formed in the state, dates from 1829. Its land was taken from Christian County. The first settlers in the vicinity arrived late in 1784. William Brown acquired the region around the mouth of the Cumberland River through a land grant made in the land office at Louisville. The county was named for Robert R. Livingston of New York. He represented his state in the Second Continental Congress, and was a member of the committee chosen to write the Declaration of Independence.

Livingston County had a population of 6,578 in 1850. The population climbed steadily until 1900 when it reached 11,354. Between 1900 and 1960 the population census showed a steady decline with the 1960 figure at 7,029. The 1970 population of Livingston County was 7,596 and the 1974 population was estimated at 8,400.

Smithland, the county seat, is located on a high bluff 286 feet above sea level which overlooks the confluence of the Ohio and Cumberland Rivers. In 1800 there were 2,856 people in the county, but less than 100 lived in Smithland. The community grew in commercial prominence because of its river location in later days. The 1973 estimated population of Smithland was 572.

The total number of Livingston County residents employed in 1974 averaged 5,930, including 250 in agriculture and 440 in government. Manufacturing employers in the county reported 55 workers, and trade and service firms employed 420. Largest of the county's firms is the Three Rivers Rock Company which produces limestone products, aggregate, and agricultural lime.