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YOUR GUIDE TO A KENTUCKY INDUSTRIAL SITE

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INDUSTRIAL SITE INFORMATION

SITE #1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 388 acres of level land
LOCATION: Approximately 29 miles northwest of Ashland
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Two county roads leading to U. S. Route 23 approximately 500 feet south
RAILROADS: This site is bound by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway
WATER: Surface water from the Ohio River
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
OWNER: Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company

SITE #2: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 135 acres, level land
LOCATION: 28 miles northwest of Ashland and between the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway and the Ohio River
HIGHWAY ACCESS: A county road leads to U. S. Route 23, 1/4 mile south.
RAILROADS: Bordered by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway on the south
WATER: Surface water from Ohio River
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
OWNER: Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company

SITE #3: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 119 acres, level land
LOCATION: 27 miles northwest of Ashland and on the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Two county roads lead to U. S. Route 23 1,500 feet south
RAILROADS: The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway borders the site on the south
WATER: Surface water from Ohio River
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
OWNER: Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company
SITE #4: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 400 acres, level to gently rolling land
LOCATION: 8 miles northwest of Ashland on the Ohio River
HIGHWAY ACCESS: No portion of this site is more than 2,000 feet from U.S. Route 23 and access is obtained by using six county roads.
RAILROADS: The southwestern portion of this site borders the Raceland-Russell Yards of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company.
WATER: Surface water from Ohio River
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
OWNER: Kentucky Power Company

SITE #5: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 32 acres, level land
LOCATION: Approximately 6 miles from Ashland
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Bound by Kentucky Route 244 on the south
RAILROADS: A spur extending from the Raceland-Russell Yards of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company enters the southeastern portion of this site.
WATER: Raceland Water Works
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
SEWERAGE: Worthington Sewer System
OWNER: Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company

SITE #6: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 200 acres of level land
LOCATION: 16 miles south of Ashland
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. Route 23 is adjacent to this site.
RAILROADS: The Chesapeake & Ohio Railway bounds this site.
RIVER TRANSPORTATION: A 9-foot channel in the Big Sandy River exists from the Ohio River to this site.
WATER: Surface water from Big Sandy River
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
OWNER: Jointly owned by the Kentucky Power Company and the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company

SITE #7: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 190 acres, level to gently rolling land
LOCATION: Approximately 20 miles south of Ashland
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. Route 23 bounds the property.
RAILROAD: Bound by the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway
WATER: Surface water from Big Sandy River
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
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POPULATION:

1960: Ashland - 31,283  Boyd County - 52,163

ASHLAND LABOR SUPPLY AREA:

Includes Boyd and all adjoining counties. Estimated number of workers available for industrial jobs in the labor supply area: 3,369 men and 4,939 women. Number of workers available from Boyd County: 691 men and 1,544 women.

TRANSPORTATION:

Railroads: Ashland is the junction point of four major divisions of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Company.

Air: The nearest major airport is the Tri-State Airport, 10 miles distant. The Ashland-Boyd County Airport has a 5,000 by 100 foot runway and other facilities for local use.

Water: A public dock, the Port of Ashland, provides barge-to-rail service. In addition, there are several private docks in the area.

Trucks: Several large truck lines provide Ashland and vicinity with interstate and intrastate service.

Bus Lines: Southern Greyhound Lines, Trailways System and the Ohio Valley Bus Lines provide bus service.

HIGHWAY DISTANCES: From Ashland, Kentucky, To:

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Ashland-Huntington Tri-State Airport is served by Eastern, Piedmont, and Allegheny Airlines and Ashland-Boyd County have an Industrial Airport with 5,000-foot lighted runway.

Air service and waterways

The broad Ohio and the Big Sandy Rivers furnish economical transportation for barge sites of 100 to 400 acres served by the C & O Railway and U. S. Highways 23 and 60.
UTILITIES:

Electricity: Ashland is served by the Kentucky Power Company. This is an integrated part of the American Electric Power Company's interconnected system which has a generating capacity of 8,000,000 kilowatts. The area served by the Kentucky Power Company is substantially covered with transmission and distribution lines. In 1963, a 265,000 kilowatt power plant was built on the Big Sandy River at Louisa. Construction has begun to quadruple the size of this plant, at a cost of $100,000,000. The new unit is scheduled for commercial operation in 1969, with an approximate generating capacity of 1,065,000 kilowatts. Large users of electricity may be assured of an adequate and dependable supply of low cost electricity. Current rates will be furnished upon request by the Kentucky Department of Commerce or the Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

Natural Gas: Natural gas is supplied to the Ashland area by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., whose source of supply is the United Fuel Gas Company. United Fuel Gas Company has extensive gas wells in eastern Kentucky and part of West Virginia, and, in addition, has contracts with other companies for the purchase of large quantities of natural gas from pipelines which transport it from the southwestern part of the United States. Natural gas used in the Ashland area has a BTU content of 1,050 and a specific gravity of .610.

Transmission lines serving the area include 12- and 14-inch lines and standby lines of 8, 10 and 12 inches.

Also serving industrial and commercial customers in the area is the Inland Gas Company, whose source of supply is a 16-inch line from the Tennessee Gas Transmission Company and fields in eastern Kentucky. BTU content is 1,000 and specific gravity is .60.

Sewerage: Approximately 97 percent of Ashland is served by sanitary sewers; 55 percent is served by separate storm and sanitary sewers. The disposal plant has a capacity of 13,000,000 gallons per day. The estimated average daily flow is 4,000,000 gallons and the peak-day flow 10,000,000 gallons. Final discharge enters the Ohio River. Improvements costing $1,000,000 are presently being made.
Water: Water is distributed in Ashland by the municipally owned water works, which uses the Ohio River as its source of supply. A new filtration plant with a capacity of 8,000,000 gallons per day was completed in 1958. Storage capacity for treated water totals 7,500,000 gallons. Pumping capacity is 5,560 gpm. The average daily use is 3,522,989 gallons with the peak daily use being 5,471,000 gallons. Water pressure varies from 25 to 100 psi.

HEALTH:

Hospitals: The Ashland area is served by two general hospitals: the King's Daughters' Hospital, located in Ashland, and Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital, located in Bellefonte, Greenup County, Kentucky. The King's Daughters' Hospital has 326 beds and 34 bassinets and Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital has 127 beds and 24 bassinets.

The staff of the King's Daughters' Hospital includes 57 medical doctors, 67 registered nurses, 29 licensed practical nurses, 95 nurses aides, 69 orderlies and 425 other employees. Our Lady of Bellefonte's staff consists of 46 medical doctors, 20 registered nurses, 15 licensed practical nurses and 135 other employees.

Also located in Ashland is the Kentucky District Four Tuberculosis Sanatorium and Hospital. This hospital has 117 beds and serves 15 counties.

EDUCATION:

Graded Schools: The Ashland Independent School District has ten elementary, two junior high, and one high school.

The Paul G. Blazer High School is located on a 43-acre site which lies between Floyd and Thirteenth Streets on the south boundary line of Ashland. The campus captures and conserves the beauty of the eastern Kentucky hills, making this one of the most attractive and unique settings for a public school in the nation. A section of the wooded area is used as a botanical laboratory to study plant life, and a lake adjacent to the science building is serving as a marine laboratory for biological sciences. The entire site is effectively utilized in the comprehensive educational program. The multiple facility contains 66 teaching stations plus auxiliary facilities to accommodate an enrollment of 1,800 students.
Vocational Schools: Ashland is served by the Ashland Area Vocational School, Ashland, Kentucky. Courses offered include: auto mechanics, general industrial electricity, machine shop, sheet metal welding, and woodworking and carpentry. A contract has been let for a new vocational building at a cost in excess of $2,000,000 which will triple the vocational school enrollment.

Colleges: Located in Ashland is the University of Kentucky Ashland Community College. This coeducational institution strives to: (1) provide two years or up to 67 hours of academic work, (2) to offer certain terminal programs of technical or pre-professional nature, and (3) provide courses of cultural or personal improvement nature to adults.

Construction will start in the fall or early spring on a new Ashland Community College to replace the old facilities. The proposed location of the college's new facility is in the central portion of Ashland, within ten blocks of the downtown area. The site lies to the south of the intersection of Oakview Road and Thirteenth Street and contains approximately 47 acres, the northern 13.4 acres of which is the Avondale Urban Renewal Project. The site is bounded by Thirteenth Street on the west, Oakview Road on the north and east, and on the south by a line between Thirteenth Street and Oakview, the line being a projection of Ramey Street.

It is anticipated that the Ashland Community College will serve the needs of the extreme northeastern counties of Kentucky, and principally those of the Ashland community. The development of the college in relation to the growing Metropolitan Area which it serves is a matter of careful revision according to the dictates of current need.

RECREATION:

Local: Ashland has a 54-acre public park with a playground, a lighted baseball diamond, 5 all-weather tennis courts, and a swimming pool. Little League and Babe Ruth League teams use this baseball diamond regularly during the summer months.

Bellefonte Country Club, a private club located a short distance from the city, has an 18-hole golf course, an attractive clubhouse, tennis courts, and a swimming pool. There are five other golf courses which are open to the public.
Armco Park, a 50-acre park owned by Armco Steel Corporation, is open to the public and offers excellent playground and picnic facilities.

The local YMCA offers complete gymnasium facilities and an indoor swimming pool.

The Ashland Civic Music Club and the Ashland Ambassadors Club regularly bring excellent musical talent and speakers of national prominence to the city.

The Ashland Boat Club has dock facilities on the Ohio River and encourages participation in boating and other water sports.

Area: Carter Caves State Park is located 40 miles from Ashland. This park is known for its scenic beauty and offers facilities for swimming, fishing, boating, picnicking, and horseback riding. A lodge and numerous first-class cottages are available to overnight visitors.

Greenbo Lake is located in Greenup County, 19 miles from Ashland. This recreation area offers facilities for swimming, fishing, boating and picnicking.

Construction will start this fall on a lodge consisting of 36 rooms, dining area, and swimming pool. The approximate cost is 1 million dollars.

Camden Park in Huntington, 10 miles distant, offers a variety of rides and amusement for people of all ages.

**PLANNING & ZONING:**

The Ashland Planning Commission has a full-time planner and staff. Existing programs consist of Neighborhood Analysis, Community Facilities Plan, Major Transportation Plan, Central Business District Study, Public Improvements Program, Future Land Use Plan, Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations. Projects underway at this time include complete land use mapping, recreational and annexation study and a comprehensive plan for the city. The comprehensive plan will be completed by December, 1967.
Urban Renewal: The Urban Renewal Agency of Ashland has recently cleared a 13.4-acre tract of land which is to be redeveloped, beginning in the Spring of 1968, by the University of Kentucky for the new and enlarged Ashland Community College. A 33.6-acre tract that is adjacent to this property will possibly be utilized for expansion of the college facilities.

A second urban renewal project is now entering the "survey and planning" stage. It is to involve the clearance of about 54 acres of substandard housing and industrial structures. This area will be redeveloped as a much needed industrial park.

For more information concerning Ashland, please request publication "Industrial Resources, Ashland Area."