## Kentucky ranks low in environmental protection

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When it comes to environmental protection, Kentucky has some work to do.

That's according to a study recent SmileHub.com, which ranks Kentucky as the sixth-worst state for environmental protection. Overall, the Bluegrass State was ranked 45th.

Kentucky ranks 39th in **Environmental Protection** Charities per Capita, 42nd in Share of State Land Designated for Parks and Wildlife, 37th in Energy Efficiency Score, 42nd in Share of Population Using Green Transportation, 41st in Total Tonnage of Landfill Waste per Capita, 31st in Industrial Toxins per Square Mile of Land Area, and 20th Change.

According to the latest data from the Environmental Protection Agency, the United States produces over 292 million tons of waste per year, or over 4.9 pounds per person a day. Over 50% of Americans worry a great deal about the pollution of water sources and the contamination of soil and water by toxic waste.

SmileHub compared the 50 states across 25 key metrics, with California

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ranked as the Most Envi-sachusetts (68.29), New with a score of 27.56, ahead ronmentally-Friendly State Jersey (67.73), Oregon with a score of 78.06, followed (66.69), and Virginia (66.02) by Washington (72.74), New rounding out of the Top 10, York (71.57), Vermont all Blue States. Kentucky's (70.02), Maryland (69.41), total score was 33.60. in Vulnerability to Climate Hawaii (69.22), Mas-Louisiana ranked dead last

of West Virginia (27.61), Mississippi (27.90), Alabama (31.65), and North Dakota (33.29). All of those states

states for environmental New York and Masacross three key dimensions: 1) Environmental Protection, 2) Energy Consumption & Waste Disposal, and 3) Emission & Pollution Contributions. Kentucky scored 47, 43, and 44 in those three dimensions. The website then evaluated those dimensions using 25 relevant metrics, each graded on a 100-point score, with 100 representing the highest level of eco-friendliness.

Environmental Protection, with New York taking the top spot for Energy Consumption & Waste Disposal, and Hawaii came in No. 1 in Emission & Pollution Contributions.

California had the most visit To determine the best Oklahoma had the fewest. ronmental-protection/123.

protection, SmileHub sachusetts tied for first in compared the 50 states the highest share of population using green transportation, while Mississippi came in last. South Dakota, Washington, Oregon, Iowa, and Maine tied for first in the state with the highest share of renewable energy consumption, while Delaware came in 50th. Rhode Island is the state with the lowest total energy consumption per capita, while Wyoming, North Dakota, Louisiana, and Alaska all tied for 47th in California ranked 1 in the highest total energy consumption per capita. The state with the lowest total tonnage of landfill waste per capita is Connecticut, with Michigan being the state with the highest.

To view the entire report,

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#### Location:

#### 499 DYLAN WAY, WILLISBURG, KY. 40078

Directions: From Exit 42 On The Bluegrass Parkway, Take Hwy 555 South And Go About 3 Miles To County Road #1037 On Your Right. Turn Right Onto #1037 And Go About 200 Ft. Stay Straight On The Blacktop And Go About ½ Mile To The Property On The Left.



#### REAL ESTATE SELLS AT 10:00 A.M.

Reason For Sale: In order to dissolve their partnership, the Sellers have commissioned Bishop Realty & Auction, LLC to sell at ABSOLUTE AUCTION, the following property under the terms and conditions as stated.

REAL ESTATE: Selling a 2394 sq. ft. log home with full basement on 15 acres near Willisburg Lake in Washington County Kv. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the home is not completely finished, but is designed for 3 bedrooms & 2 baths. The main floor is 2 beds-1 bath with a combination living room-dining room-kitchen, mud room, breezeway and attached 2 car garage. The basement has 2394 sq. ft. with 2 bedrooms, 1 bath & a big utility room & laundry. The home has 9 ft. ceilings on main floor and 10 ft. ceilings in basement. The entire home has pex waterline in the floor for heated floors if you desire. Lagoon septic system has been installed. A beautiful wrap-around porch allows you to enjoy the view of the countryside from all sides of the home. The home is designed for 42" interior and Exterior doors and has premium windows. There is a camera security system that also stays with the home. A tremendous amount of building supplies that have already been purchased will stay with the home. (insulation, paint,t rim, lumber, etc.) This is a chance to buy a beautiful home in the country and have it finished however you desire. This could be a perfect situation for a buy and flip. Don't miss this outstanding opportunity to purchase at ABSOLUTE AUCTION where you bid last and buy.

SKY TRACK & SKID LOADER: 1996 JLG 600 AJ Sky Track with 60 ft. reach capability. This unit has a flat tire but we have an extra tire for it. It runs good and works well but it has a hydraulic hose that needs replacing on the lift portion. 1984 Case 1845 Skid Steer with 2 buckets. This unit runs and works well.

TOOLS-EQUIPMENT & PERSONAL PROPERTY: Kobalt concrete mixer, walk behind plate tamper, Porter Cable 5500 watt generator,Step ladders of all sizes,24 ft. and 20 ft. extension ladders,Haul Master 17ft. ladder,Whacker jumping jack dirt tamper.Central machine drill press.Hitachi 12" radial arm saw.sand blaster.Kobalt 10" table saw.(2) Honda tillers.Honda water pump,Self propelled Troybilt push mower, Troybilt push mower, jack hammer,blower,drywall hoist,Kobalt 60 Gal. 240 volt air compressor, ladder jacks,42" Troybilt riding mower,Cub Cadet 42" riding mower, (2) wheel barrows, extension cords, clamps,150 ft. of air hose,hand sprayer,shop lights,apartment size fridge,small wood stove,sweeper, tools,wrenches,back pak sprayer,hand tools,utility cart,yard seeder,fans,weedeater,shop vac,(30 sets of scaffolding,Bosch router,2 wheel dolly cart,metal shelving,(3) water pumps,Hitachi 71/4" skil saw, Magnum power spray painter,Milwaukee Sawsall,Makita sawsall,Kobalt Sawsall,Makita 10" skil saw,air power caulking gun,Dewalt grinder,B&D 3/8 drill,B&D planer,belt sander,3/4" socket set, levels & metal staright edges, panel carriers, welders hood, Lots of nail guns, 1/2" dewalt drill, B&D palm sander, Bosch grinder, Rockwell recipricol saw, jig saw, Hilti power nailer, Lots of electric space heaters, G.E. Refrigerator, Whirlpool Electric range, and much more.

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