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**Consent Agenda Item (Action Item):** ATC \$812,000 AMLER Grant

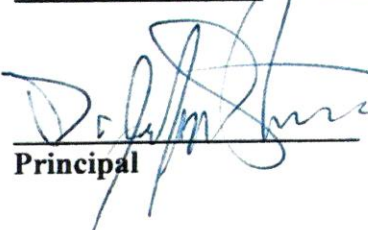
**Applicable State or Regulations:** KRS 424.260

**Fiscal/Budgetary Impact:** None

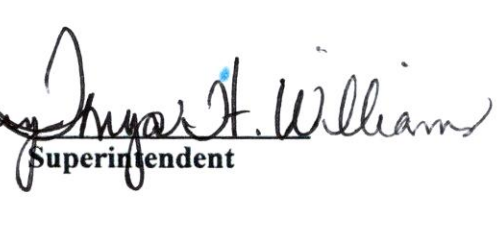
**History/Background:** Floyd County ATC was awarded \$812,000 for improvements to the shops and common areas of the building.

**Recommended Action:** Approval to accept funding from the Division of Abandoned Mine Lands to move forth with improvements to Floyd County ATC – 1024 KY Rt. 122 Martin, KY 41649.

**Contact Person(s):** Dr. Jeff M. Shannon

  
Principal

  
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**Date:** 06/02/2025

# Kentucky Division of Abandoned Mine Lands

## Economic Revitalization (AMLER) Program

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#### Application Instructions:

- Be sure to READ all notes and instructions on this application form.
- Complete all areas of the form. Incomplete applications will NOT be accepted. Enter "N/A" for any sections that are not applicable.
- "See attached," or a similar response, is not acceptable and will be considered incomplete.
- Complete and submit this form electronically in PDF format to Kayla Thornsberry ([kayla.thornsberry@ky.gov](mailto:kayla.thornsberry@ky.gov)) and Hannah Radosevich ([hannah.radosevich@ky.gov](mailto:hannah.radosevich@ky.gov)). Hand written copies will NOT be accepted.
- The deadline for submissions is Close of Business April 8, 2024.
- Sections allowing supporting documents include: Project Description, Project Benefits, Property Purchase/Usage Details, and AML Nexus.
- Label and title any supporting documents with the name of the application and section to which they relate. For example: Coal Site Development Grant Proposal - Section 11: Property Purchase Assessment.
- Attachments are allowable, but only as noted in this application. Attachments may be in any format, but may NOT exceed the 8MB file size limit.
- Applications must be accompanied by at least one geographic map of the site location. This map must be in an image file format (JPG, GIF, TIF, or PNG). The map must clearly mark the site location, outline the project boundary, and include any other necessary descriptive information.
- Any questions about the application process, or requests for assistance in completion of the form, should be referred to Kayla Thornsberry ([kayla.thornsberry@ky.gov](mailto:kayla.thornsberry@ky.gov)) or Hannah Radosevich ([hannah.radosevich@ky.gov](mailto:hannah.radosevich@ky.gov)).
- This application, and all material related to the project, are subject to applicable Open Record Laws.

#### Grant Notes:

- For information regarding AMLER, FAQs, Program Terms, previously awarded grants, and links to Area Development Districts, Model Procurement, Real Property Purchase Guidelines visit [ee.ky.gov/aml](http://ee.ky.gov/aml)
- The federal Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) AMLER Guidance Document, available online at <https://www.osmre.gov/programs/reclaiming-abandoned-mine-lands/amlr>, should be reviewed prior to application completion and submission.
- A "Nexus," or connection to historic mining (mining having concluded prior to May 18, 1982), is required for grant eligibility. Known eligible abandoned mine lands are identified on eAMLIS (<https://amlis.osmre.gov/Map.aspx>).
- Matching funds are not required, but are considered.
- The Division is particularly seeking to select submissions that will be sustainable after AMLER funds are expended and include immediate benefits to economic growth.
- AMLER grant-funded projects are now subject to the Build America, Buy America (BABA) Act that was enacted as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law in 2021.
- AMLER grant-funded projects are now subject to follow the Davis-Bacon Act (prevailing wages).



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The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) uses the Federal Assistance Manual (FAM) to show how OSMRE and its grantees manage Federal grants. The FAM details 2 CFR 200, the federal law outlining federal grants. All grantees should become familiar with 2 CFR 200, specifically but not limited to the following:

- **Reporting (2 CFR 200.334)**
  - Memorandums of Agreement will state: The Contractor shall retain all records relating to the AMLER Project until such records are audited by the Cabinet, or for three (3) years, or for a longer term if specified elsewhere in this MOA, after submitting the close-out report to OSMRE, whichever first occurs. The Contractor shall advise the Commonwealth in writing if the AMLER Project is to be administered by another governmental entity on its behalf and the project-related records will be maintained at an alternate site.
- **Property which includes equipment (2 CFR 200.313 and 2 CFR 200.439) and real property (2 CFR 200.311, 2 CFR 200.330)**
  - FAM defines property and outlines the management and disposition of property to protect the federal interest.
  - Property is any tangible item which is acquired or held through an assistance agreement. Real property is land, including buildings, and improvements fixed on the land. Personal property is all other property except real property.
- **Program income (2 CFR 200.307)**
  - FAM describes the types of program income and three methods for treating program income:
    1. The Deduction method uses program income to reduce program costs. Program income must be deducted from total allowable costs to determine net allowable costs. The net allowable costs are then divided into Federal and non-Federal shares according to the percentages in the award. Under this method, program income reduces your and our costs for the program. The total program budget does not increase.
    2. The Addition method adds program income to the Federal and non-Federal funds already awarded to increase the total program budget.
    3. The Cost sharing or matching method allows you to use all program income to meet your cost sharing or matching requirements under the assistance award.
- **Period of performance (2 CFR 200.301, 2 CFR 200.309, 2 CFR 200.344, 2 CFR 200.407)**
  - AMLER projects must measure performance metrics to show achievement of program goals and objectives, share lessons learned, improve program outcomes, and foster adoption of promising practices. Program goals and objectives should be derived from program planning and design.
  - It is important to note that program income accumulated during the period of performance is subject to reporting.

#### Acknowledgement

I, Dr. Jeff M. Shannon (applicant name), acknowledge that I am aware of and have reviewed the requirements and guidelines as outlined above.

X   
Dr. Jeff M. Shannon  
School Principal

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**Section 1: General Information:**

Project Title	Mine Drainage Damage Repair - Floyd County School	
Total Funding Requested (\$10,000 Increments)	\$812,000 (Total from Section 12 Budget Summary)	
Location - County	Floyd	
Location - Address	1024 Kentucky Route 122 Martin, KY 41649	
GPS Coordinates	Latitude: 37.55185	Longitude: -82.75126

**Section 2: Applicant Information:** This is the person or entity seeking AMLER funds and may be different from the project manager. This will be the person or entity AML will contact for clarifications, additional information requests, potential meetings, and determination notification. Please ensure email is accurate, monitored, and responsive.

Name	Floyd County Schools/Floyd County Area Technology Center	
Agency (If not applicable enter NA)	Floyd County Area Technology Center	
Agency Type	Government	Agency type if "other": Public School
Telephone	(606) 285-3088	
Email Address	Jeff.Shannon@Floyd.KYschools.US	
Mailing Address	1024 Kentucky Route 122 Martin, KY 41649	
Anticipated partnering entities	Floyd County School District / KY Dept of EDU	

**Section 3: Project Manager/Grant Administrator:** If funded, Project Managers and Grant Administrators are responsible for the reporting requirements and the management of projects and funds. If same as above applicant, enter "Applicant".

Agency	Floyd County Schools Finance Department	
Contact Person	Tiffany Warrix (District Finance Director)	
Telephone	(606) 886-2354, Ext. 5508	
Email Address	tiffany.warrix@floyd.kyschools.us	
Mailing Address	Floyd County Schools 442 KY RT 550 Eastern, KY 41622	

**Section 4: Project Goal:**

What is the overall mission or intended achievement? (check all that apply)

- ☒ Industrial
- ☐ Infrastructure
- ☐ Community wellness (i.e. Emergency Services, Medical Centers)
- ☐ Tourism
- ☒ Job training/Education
- ☒ Expansion of Agritech or traditional farming
- ☐ Other:

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**Section 5: Project Description Summary:** Please enter a clear and concise description of project. This is an explanation of what the proposal intends to accomplish with the line items listed in the Budget Summary. This is not justification of why the application should be selected. Do NOT continue the text of this section in supporting documents. This section must stand alone. *Additional documents may be attached in support of this section.*

With the new legislative budget, it is projected for Floyd County Area Technology Center to receive \$7.5 million in renovation funds in this biennium. Many of the upgrades and repairs are due to mine flooding on our campus. In addition to the funds set aside by the legislature, our school is in need of floor tile, drainage, plumbing, LED lighting, and a fire sprinkler system funds. This will allow us to offer skills training to our student body at a level that is needed to combat gaps in trained, skilled labor in the Commonwealth. Upon abandoned mine land inspections this spring, we received a letter of approval to repair the extensive damage to property surrounding the campus. However, our young technicians still need a safe building they can be proud to learn and work in.

**Section 6: Project Benefits Summary:** Include a summary of the benefits of the proposal. How would this project impact the economic environment of the service area? How does it provide growth and development of the served community? This section may NOT exceed 300 words. *Additional documents may be attached in support of this section.*

This would allow us to offer new training in the area of agriculture in this zoned space. The district currently is looking for a space on our campus to expand agriculture offerings to the students of Floyd County. The fruits of this labor will also have the potential to serve low income members of the the community. There is a reoccurring cost to the district for the cleanup of harsh water and debris coming down from the mine and area. This is in addition to septic/plumbing issues stemming from the mine drainage. The commonwealth will benefit from producing highly trained workers in a safe learning environment.

**Section 7: Outcome Metrics:** Fill out the table below, listing each Metric Type in the first column, the Measurable Value of that metric type in the second column, and the expected Timeframe for completion in the final column. Provide only practical, measurable outcomes (i.e. jobs created, clients served). Temporary jobs are not considered. Only report the metrics anticipated by this grant proposal.

Metric Type (ex. Permanent Jobs Created)	Measurable Value (ex. 200)	Timeframe (ex. by end of grant)
Student Clients Served	400 Served Annually	By end of grant, reoccurring annually thereafter

**Section 8: Tax Revenue:** If the project applicant is a local government, please provide estimates of any increases in tax revenue as a result of this project.

With the exponential rise in certified technicians, this would greatly increase the number of technicians now able to fill the numerous unfilled positions across the state. This would created a great increase in tax dollars coming in to the Commonwealth for many years to come.

**Section 9: Multiphase Projects:** Are there other phases, known or planned, scheduled to be part of this project? If so, explain those phases, separately from the requested AMLER project proposal.

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The governor's current budget has in place \$10 million dollars for renovation of the facility itself. It saw bipartisan support and passed this session at a level of \$7.5 million dollars. In order to ensure we are being good stewards of the Commonwealth's tax payer dollars, we must address the issues stemming from this mining issue. The integrity of the school's foundation, health concerns and reoccurring drainage issues must be remedied. In addition, there is \$2.5 million gap between the governor's ask and the \$7.5 million for our facility that passed this session.

**Section 10: Budget Summary:** Provide a general breakdown of your anticipated expenses. Itemize as much as possible. As an example, one Category might be "Engineering Services" with Projected Items including "Design, Inspection Services, Code Certification, etc." and a Projected Item Cost of "\$50,000.00". Please round item costs so that the total requested is in increments of \$10,000.00.

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#	Category	Projected Items	Projected Item Cost
1	Surveying/Drawings	Land Survey/Renderings	\$10,000
2	Engineering	Architectural Drawings/Cost Analysis	\$30,000
3	Site Prep	Tree, Stone, Overgrowth Removal	\$10,000
4	Excavation/Dozer/Hydraulic Hammer/Haul	Removal of tonage of dirt and stone & haul offsite	\$80,000
5	Site Dressing	Stone, culvert, smaller barriers, cement work	\$40,000
6	Permanent Barrier	Partial Retaining Wall	\$270,000
7	Plumbing	Concrete trenches cut, plumbed, and cement poured, finishing	\$300,000
8	Lighting Upgrade For Safety and Efficiency Investment	LED lighting fixtures, wiring, conduit	\$40,000
9	Damaged Tile Replacement	Commercial grade vinyl tile, leveler, bonding agent	\$32,000
10			
11			
12			
13			
14			
15		Projected Items	Projected Item Cost
<b>Total AMLER Funding Requested -&gt;</b>			<b>\$812,000</b>

**Section 11: Property Purchase/Usage Details:** If the applicant does not own the property (land or buildings/structures) necessary to implement the proposed project, explain current ownership of the required property and how ownership/usage rights will be obtained to allow the project to be successful. If the proposal consists of building renovation, explain the ownership of the building (own outright, outstanding liens, etc.). If purchasing property, explain how the purchase is necessary to ensure success. This section may not exceed 300 words. Please consult OSMRE guidance regarding Property Purchases. Property agreements may be attached as supporting documentation.



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The property is already owned by Floyd County School District. This would merely consist of modifying existing land due to drainage damage that is occurring to the school from previous mining activities and the repair/upgrades to the school.

☐ Purchase or lease of real estate

Approximate PVA value:

Approximate acreage:

Lease or purchase agreement obtained?

**Section 12: Infrastructure:** Please note if the project will include the installation or replacement of infrastructure. Please check all that apply.

	Utility	Who is the servicing utility and has it been confirmed they have the capacity to accommodate the project's needs?
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Electricity	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gas	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Internet	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Sewer	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	

If water is included, is it registered in WRIS? No If "Yes", please provide Identifier:

**Section 13: Business Recruitment:** If the proposal intends to recruit businesses/job creators once completed, provide details regarding this endeavor. Who will be doing the recruitment? Is there documented interest already?

The scope of this work is primarily to secure, rework and repair longstanding damage to the school and grounds from previous mining on the school property. However, we do build and sell tiny house at our school. They can range from \$30-45K. We have sold them to California, Virginia, North Carolina, etc. This will allow us to expand and partner as a result of a more stable student construction site. In addition, we will be able to gain partnerships through agriculture program expansion. In addition, this project will cause a rise in certified technicians and apprenticeships. This would greatly increase the number of technicians now able to fill the numerous unfilled positions across the state. This would create a great increase in tax dollars coming in to the Commonwealth for many years to come.

Do you have a letter of interest from a potential tenant? N/A

If so, please elaborate: N/A

Once completed, what is the estimated time before occupancy? N/A

**Section 14: Sustainability:** Who will own, maintain, and manage the project once complete and how will the maintenance and management be funded? If salaries are included, how will they will be funded after the grant is expended?

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**Section 15: AML Reclamation:** If your project intends to reclaim any abandoned mine land features (landslides, highwalls, open mine portals, etc.), provide details about that effort.

Upon abandoned mine land inspections this spring, we received a letter of approval to repair the extensive damage to property surrounding the campus. This only addresses the property damage component, which is compounded by the short fall of \$2.5 million proposed in the governor's budget. However, our young technicians still need a safe building they can be proud to learn and work in. There is a pre-1980s mine located on our high school campus. We have both a hotspot area for previous slides, as well as an abandoned mine shaft on our campus. We are planning on developing a portion of this land. Extensive flooding to our school shops/classrooms/restrooms occurs on a regular basis. An immense amount of water is coming from the mine and areas surrounding it behind our school. This situation is causing health concerns from water issues as well as permanent damage to the foundation of our school. The hill needs to be taken back more from our school sidewalks and bay doors, and sloped in fashion to naturally deter the immense amount of water and debris from coming down from the mine area into our school and student workzones outside. We will also add a short service road and divert the immense amount of water that comes back off the shaft area and flooding our current building. This will also create an needed opportunity for an agriculture program to be moved to zone to take advantage of the land if it were not regularly flooding and eroding. Excavation, surveying, engineering, dirt hauling and partial retaining wall are all consistent with these plans.

**Section 16: AML Nexus:** To be eligible, the project site must have a nexus with historic mining. You may consult <https://amlis.osmre.gov/Map.aspx> as a resource. *Additional documents may be attached in support of this section.*

**Mining History** Is the project location on an historic abandoned mine site? (If known, please describe)

**Is near:**  
PAD Name: BUCK BRANCH DRIFTS  
Problem Type Code: P1 Vertical Openings  
Program: Pre-SMCRA Coal State/Tribe Program (P1, P2, P3)  
Quadrangel: Martin  
County: Floyd County  
Status: Reclamation Pending

**Historic Mining Community** Does it impact an historic mining community? Describe these connections.

It was an early twentieth century coal mining town originally known as Bucks Branch, but the name Martin was in use by about 1915, for Martin Van Allen. It was created as a coal-mining community from the early beginnings, so it has a rich heritage in the mining industry. During mining peak, Utilities Elkhorn Coal Company of Martin, KY in Floyd County was in full operation from 1929-1958 and had as many as 145 employees. Also in the Garth area of Floyd County, Beaver Creek Coal Company 1924-1926 with 125 employees, Elkfield Coal Company 1923-1926 with 31 employees, and The Wakenva Coal Company 1927-1929 with 100 employees. Martin, KY and the Beaver area as a whole, has a long and rich coal mining heritage that spans the majority of the 20th Century. The school campus we are expanding at has a rich connection here as well. It was named Garth Vocational School, and it still referred to it as such to this



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day. This is an example of our school's rich history with coal mining. For many decades our school has a mining program on site as well as offered continuing education classed for miners up until 2006.

**Section 17: Permitted Mining Consideration:** AMLER funding is NOT allowed on any currently-permitted, for coal mining, lands. Does any area of your project proposal fall within a current permit? Choose an item.

**Section 18: Vetting Information:** All selected applications will later be vetted by OSMRE for conceptual approval of the project. Complete the following sections to facilitate that process, answering all questions. If the question does not apply to this application, complete with "N/A". **Do NOT leave any section blank.**

Applicant's Federal System of Awards Management Cage Code (SAM) Number	3EB63
Applicant's Unique Entity ID (UEI) Number	VLGMA3JCUXD9
Applicant's Federal Tax ID Number	61-6001347

**Section 19:** If there are, other federally funded projects, directly or indirectly related to this proposal, provide details about those projects/efforts below.

**Section 20: Other Funds:** Complete this section to identify all secured or anticipated funding sources for the projects. In the Status of Funding column, note if the funds are Approved, Pending or Under Negotiation.

#	Entity	Expected Items/Work	Projected Contribution \$	Status of Funding
1	KY General Fund - Awaiting 10. Veto to end legislative session	Partial Renovation	\$7.5 Million	Pending
2				Choose an item.
3				Choose an item.
4				Choose an item.
5				Choose an item.
6				Choose an item.
7				Choose an item.
8				Choose an item.
9				Choose an item.
10				Choose an item.
Total Other Funds Projected ->			\$ 0.00	

**Section 21:** If other funding sources (besides AMLER) are included in the proposal, and those funds are ultimately not secured, will the project still be able to go forward? How will this affect the economic development metrics (jobs created, etc.)?

Yes. The project can move forward without issue. The funding was approved in this year budget that came out of the regular session. We are awaiting the final days of the vetoing process on the calendar.



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Preparer's Name Dr. Jeff M. Shannon

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