

Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easements

Kentucky Department of Agriculture



What is PACE?

The Kentucky General Assembly in 1994 established the Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement Corporation (PACE) with the passage of KRS 262.900-KRS 262.920 and authorized the state to purchase agricultural conservation easements in order to ensure that lands currently in agricultural use will continue to remain available for agriculture and not be converted to other uses.

Breakdown of Funding

USDA Funds: \$ 14,326,568

USDA Acres: 15,689

Commonwealth Funds: \$4,700,000+

Commonwealth Acres: 6,000+

ACUB Project Funds: \$ 3,433,732

ACUB Acres: 1,568

Numbers Today

Total Acres Protected: 31,500+

Tracts of Land: 200+

Number of Property Owners: 175+

Donated Easement Acres: 8,200+

Army Compatible Use Buffer (ACUB)- Conserve land outside the installation fence line so that soldiers can be trained and ready to be deployed.

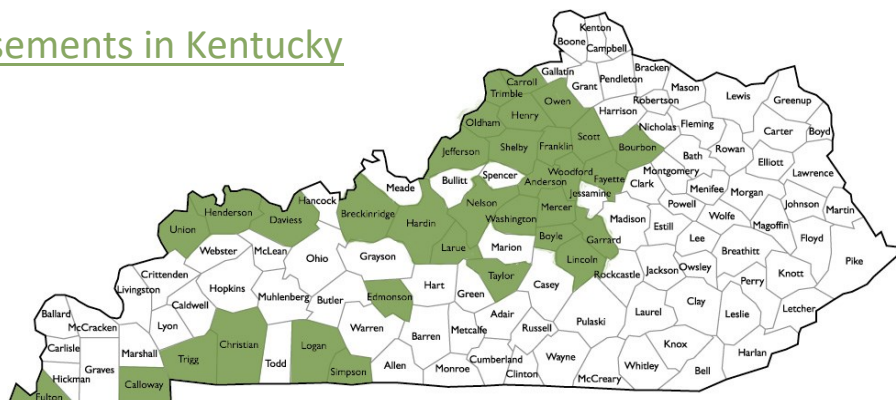
Mission: To protect the airfields and training ranges within Fort Campbell's 105,058-acre base.

USDA Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program (USDA FRPP)- provided matching funds to purchase developmental rights; repealed by the 2014 Farm Bill. The new program encompasses the FRPP and Wetland easements and is known as the Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP).

Counties with the most easements:

1. Logan County 39 Easements
2. Mercer County 25 Easements
3. Christian County 15 Easements

PACE Easements in Kentucky



PACE Partnerships



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PACE Informational Sheet

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