

**Rain, rain, go away.**



Photo by Lanny Tucker

Green River was full of debris as it passed under the bridge on Highway 88 Sunday. The river was overflowing into adjoining crop land.



Photo submitted

Property owned by Eddie and Anne Durham was overflowing with water from Green River Sunday. The water is usually at least 50 feet away from where the cabin sets.



Photo by Clevis Jeffries

The recent heavy rains caused Pittman Creek to overflow its banks along Hwy 61N toward Summersville. So far in 2019, 14.53 inches have fallen.

**Statewide**

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Beginning Feb. 19, rain was recorded every day, totaling 4.46 inches through Sunday. For the month of February, a total of 10.56 inches has been recorded. So far in 2019, 14.53 inches have fallen.

Kentucky has experienced prolonged episodes of severe storms producing heavy rain, strong and gusting wind, flooding, flash flooding, landslides and mud slides across the Commonwealth, state officials said. This has resulted in increased water levels at major dams in Central and Western Kentucky, recording record levels of water discharge, creating flooding condi-

tions with enhanced threats to citizens and major impact on infrastructure, agricultural production and properties. Green River Lake is 29 feet above its winter pool but more than 10 feet below its flood stage. On Monday the lake level was 697 feet above sea level. Flood stage is 713 feet.

“Enhanced communication remains the highest priority in the current flood fight,” said Michael Dossett, director for KYEM. “The Division is in coordination with local, state, and federal officials daily. Communities are reminded to check their flood plan and be ready to activate the plan if required.”

**Fiscal Court**

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Magistrates also gave approval to the following items:


- (1) The Soil Conservation District annual budget for 2019 amounting to \$100,670;
- (2) The Soil Conservation District requests to receive funding for dead animal removal;
- (3) The advertising for bids convening the Judicial Center mowing contract;
- (4) The third reading and adoption of the Administrative Code relating to county employees;
- (5) The appointment of Dave Shuffett to the Industrial Development Authority Board for a 2-year term, commencing Feb. 21, 2019;
- (6) The Judicial Center custodial contract;
- (7) Authorized the signing of electrical inspector contract with Chris Bennett;
- (8) Accepted excess fees from the Sheriff Department pending audit;
- (9) Authorized the application for a Crumb Rubber/Tire Derived Grant;
- (10) Authorized the application for a Rubber-Modified Asphalt Grant; and
- (11) Placed Victim Advocate Lindsay Landis under the direction and authority of the Green County Attorney Russ Goff effective Dec. 31, 2018 and under the

term of employment of the county attorney.

Judge-Executive Frank said, “The Court gave permission to apply for a Crumb Rubber grant. I am exploring the possibility of using crumb rubber to resurface the walking track at the American Legion Park. I am also going to apply for a grant to place rubber-modified asphalt on a Green County road. We have used this in the past and it has worked out very well. It basically allows us to resurface a portion of a road at no cost to the citizens of Green County.”


County Judge-Executive John Frank provided updates, including the roof completion at the Old Courthouse at a cost of some \$22,000; the near completion of the multi-purpose building under construction at American Legion Park; and White Goods Amnesty scheduled for Apr. 11-13 and Waste Tire Amnesty scheduled for May 30-June 1.

“The date has been set for Green County’s annual White Goods Amnesty program. This is a good service provided for the residents. Also, the dates were set for the Tire Amnesty program. This program is held every three years in the county. More details about each program will be forthcoming,” he said.



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