

Surface Mine Reclamation in Eastern Kentucky

Areas near Daniel Boone National Forest that have undergone surface mine reclamation between the years of 2001 and 2019

Surrounding the Eastern edge of Daniel Boone National Forest lies a wealth of surface mine reclamation. There are multiple wildlife management areas, including the Begley Wildlife Management area, that specifically aim to reforest abandoned mines. West of Begley is the city of Harlan, historically known for it's mining capacity. Using the National Landcover Database, this map shows the changes from barren land to forest in those areas.

