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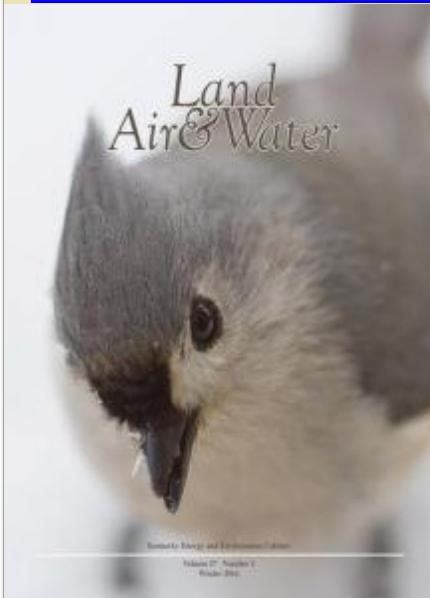
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### Winter Issue of Land, Air & Water Available

#### [Winter Issue of Land, Air & Water Online](#)



**The winter 2016 issue is now available for download at <http://eec.ky.gov/Pages/LandAirWater.aspx>.**

**The cover features a tufted titmouse, by 11 year old Griffin Shively, of Beaumont Middle School. Griffin, was the 2015 winner of the fifth-annual Capture the Earth photography contest. His mother said he spent hours in the yard waiting and working to get the perfect shot and his efforts certainly paid off.**

On the inside cover, Ricki Gardenhire invites all middle school students, grades 6-8, to enter the Energy and Environment Cabinet's Capture the Earth photography contest. The contest deadline is 4:30 p.m. April 8, 2016...[Continue reading](#)

### **New Staff Announced in Energy and Environment Cabinet**

Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary Charles Snavelly announces the appointment of Allen Luttrell to the position of commissioner of the Department for Natural Resources (DNR) in the Energy and Environment Cabinet. Allen has over 35 years of combined experience in both underground and surface mining, many of those years in management roles in the Cabinet. He has degrees in both business and mining technology from Southeast Community College. He has served as both the director of Mine Permits and the deputy commissioner of DNR in the past. Allen resides in Lawrenceburg with his wife Tammy...[Continue reading](#)

### **Current Job Openings at the Department for Environmental Protection – Jan. 15, 2106**

- [45647BR](#) – ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENTIST IV – (01/15/2016)

You can view additional information about these jobs on the [DEP Careers Page](#) or apply for any of the job openings listed on the site by clicking the link for each position. Questions regarding a specific position should be directed to the agency contact listed on the position

## **Kentucky's Lab Certification Program Requirements Approved by EPA**

Major changes have been approved for Kentucky's Laboratory Certification Program.

Kentucky's Laboratory Certification Program 's (KLCP) Proficiency Testing (PT) requirements have been approved by the US Environmental Protection Agency Region 4 as a replacement for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Discharge Monitoring Report-Quality Assurance (DMR-QA).

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