Each time a hunter buys a hunting license, the money he spends goes toward many facets of wildlife management. Since 1920, close to a million and a half acres of State Game Lands have been acquired with these funds. Each year nearly $5,000,000 is spent to improve wildlife habitat. Habitat improvements enhance living conditions for non-game birds and mammals as well as those species which are hunted. Pennsylvania hunters willingly share these lands with the non-hunting public, and with few exceptions, State Game Lands are open for general use year round. Surveys indicate that hunting accounts for only thirty-five percent of game land usage. The remaining sixty-five percent is used by the general public for non-hunting purposes.

"Working Together for Wildlife" is a Game Commission program providing everyone an opportunity to help support wildlife management in the areas for endangered and non-game animals. Monies derived from the "Working Together for Wildlife" Program are being used in Pennsylvania to re-introduce the osprey, river otter, bald eagle, Peregrine falcon and provide habitat for other birds and mammals indigenous to the Commonwealth. Construction placement of blue bird houses on State Game Lands provides needed homes for this beautiful songbird. Islands in the Susquehanna River have been set aside as propagation areas for non-game shore birds. Numerous other projects are planned on State Game Lands and other public properties which will also provide food and habitat for non-game wildlife.

The future of Pennsylvania's wildlife resources requires the concern, cooperation and financial support of everyone, hunters and non-hunters alike. "Working Together for Wildlife" is the answer. Send your contributions to "Working Together for Wildlife", 2001 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110-6797.

State Game Lands (SGL) 041 consists of 2,618 acres in two separate tracts located in Bloomfield and Woodbury townships in northcentral Bedford County near the village of Bakkers Summit. The inaccessible smaller tract is located on the eastern slope of Dunning Mountain approximately five miles south of the borough of Roaring Spring. The larger tract is located in Morrison Cove between Roaring Spring and the village of New Enterprise. The majority of this Game Lands is forested and is characterized by both the steep mountainous terrain of the smaller tract and flat to gently rolling terrain of the cove on the larger tract. State Game Lands 041 is dominated by deciduous hardwood forests: of the total SGL acreage, 98% is forested. SGL 041 offers public access in 3 of the 4 compartments. Frosty Hollow Road (TR 638) provides the only public access to compartment 2. Wildcat Boulevard (TR 747) in conjunction with a ROW provides access to the western half of compartment 3. Clubhouse Road (TR 634) accesses compartments 3 and 4 from the east. Compartment 4 also is accessible through a public ROW from Potter Creek Road (SR 868) near Maria to the SGL boundary at the southwestern corner of the compartment. Parking areas are available at all public access points. No seasonally open roads are open public travel on SGL 041.

SGL 041 is located in Wildlife Management Unit 4A. Hunting pressure is moderate for small game, turkey, and deer. Agricultural openings in compartments 3 and 4 primarily are managed for rabbits and pheasants. A put-and-take pheasant stocking program has been in place in these areas for considerable time. A dedicated management area in compartment 2 provides good grouse hunting. Trapping pressure is minimal, but some furtaking of coyote, fox, and raccoon through hunting and trapping methods does occur. Biking and horseback riding occur on 2 designated trails on SGL 041. Birdwatching, and collecting berries and mushrooms are occasional seasonal activities.

A substantial number of vernal pools are located on this Game Lands. Many of these features likely are a result of iron ore exploration and extraction in the 18th and 19th centuries; many other pools are of natural origin. SGL 041 includes a special early successional forest management area in compartment 2: approximately 180 acres are managed under accelerated rotations to maintain a "checkerboard" mosaic of stands in early seral stages. Plans are underway to expand this area into mature hardwood forest west of the existing treatment area.