State Game Land (SGL) 155 is a single tract consisting of 390.7 acres within the Pennsylvania Game Commission’s (PGC) Northwest Region, Wildlife Management Unit 18. It is about 11 miles southeast of Erie and 2.6 miles (3.6 road miles) west of Wattsburg, in Venango Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania. State Game Land 155 was purchased in 2 parcels between 1938 and 1958 for $8843.50 of which $1344 came from Pittman-Robertson funds.

State Game Land 155 receives hunting pressure throughout the small and big game seasons. Deer, turkey, small game and limited waterfowl hunting are very popular on SGL 155. Also, hunters readily pursue stocked ring-necked pheasants. Muskrat trappers occasionally target the 3 wetland restoration impoundments. Mink, raccoon, opossum, fox and coyote can be found, providing additional opportunities.

The mixed vegetative types are generally typical of the area, with the exception of a few oak stands that are rather uncharacteristic of the area and provide a concentrated hard mast source. E. Adding to the importance of the area, Lake Pleasant, which is a natural glacial lake owned by the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy and PA Fish and Boat Commission, is situated in the valley between SGL’s 155 and 161, approximately 0.6 air miles from SGL 155. The lake and its outlet are home to many rare plant and aquatic vertebrate species. It supports a high quality large mouth bass fishery and is stocked with trout by the PA Fish and Boat Commission. Fishing, including ice fishing, is very popular at Lake Pleasant. Some of the unnamed tributaries flowing through SGL 155 are classified as high quality and contribute to the Lake Pleasant outlet watershed.

Although a mixed succession management approach has been adopted for SGL 155, invasive species in the forest understory, limited access, planned buffers, stand ages and wet soils combine to make commercial forest management problematic within the life of this plan. Most active management will take place in the shrub and grassland areas. Warm season grasses surround the 3 wetland impoundments. This area will continue to be managed as grassland for grassland associated birds and potential waterfowl nesting cover. Most of the agricultural food plots will remain as such providing a mixture of annual grains, high protein forage and bugging areas for game and non-game wildlife. Some historical agricultural areas will be converted to shurblands to increase soft mast production and increase the shrub component for small game and shrub associated Wildlife Acton Plan species.