SPORTSMEN’S RECREATION MAP

STATE GAME LANDS

No. 172

BRADFORD COUNTY

SGL 172 is 722.3 acres located in the Pennsylvania Game Commission’s (PGC) Northeast Region, Bradford County, and lies in Terry and Wilmot Townships. Wyalusing is the nearest populated town located approximately 4 miles to the northeast of Game Lands 172. Topography consists of rolling hills and broad to narrow valleys. The Game Lands are positioned in the Susquehanna River watershed and drainage of the rolling topography is provided by small tributaries of Sugar Run.

SGL 172 is predominately an Aspen / Grey Birch forest, with a wide variety of hardwood species and several conifer species also present. Other common hardwood species found are Red Maple, American Beech, Black Cherry, Sugar Maple, and Black Birch. Oak species present include Red, White, Scarlet, and Chestnut. The conifer component includes Eastern Hemlock and White Pine.

Primary public access to SGL 172 is from Wilmot Road (SR 2007), Township Routes 410, 420, and 422. There are five public parking areas. Two are located along Wilmot Road (SR 2007), one positioned on the Game Land boundary line with Wilmot and the other is at the intersection of Wilmot Road and a State Game Lands road. There are currently two parking areas in the northeastern end of the Game Lands. The intersection of T-410 and T-420 provides access to one parking area. T-422 runs east along a small interior holding to the additional parking area in the northeastern end. A parking area in the southern end can be accessed traveling north on T-410. Access by foot is available on the eastern administrative road which traverses through the middle of the Game Lands, eventually intersecting with T-410. There are not any Game Land roads open permanently or seasonably to public travel. The trails and power lines are used for administrative access and are also non-motorized designated routes.

This Game Lands lies entirely within Wildlife Management Unit 3B. The most popular hunting pursuits are for whitetail deer, ruffed grouse, squirrel and wild turkey. Furtakers pursue primarily raccoon, beaver, mink, bobcat and coyote. Small game hunting on this game lands also offers opportunity for American woodcock and Eastern cottontail rabbits while pheasants are stocked in the farm fields of this game lands to provide hunters with further opportunities.

There are not any designated motorized routes, such as snowmobile trails or disabled hunter ATV trails, on this Game Land. This SGL is relatively small in size and is not a major attraction for hiking, cross country skiing, berry or mushroom picking. This Game Land is a popular area for Bird Watching with people from the area.