State Game Land 178 is a single contiguous tract of approximately 165 acres in rural, northern Lawrence County. The SGL is located in Neshaunock Township, in the Pennsylvania Game Commission’s Northwest Region (Wildlife Management Unit 1A). The land purchase was made in 1940.

The game land is easily accessed, located east of SR 18, it is bisected west to east by Valley Road (T 462) and the northern boundary lies along Sunrise Drive (T 551). Two parking lots are maintained and foot travel is welcome on 1.6 miles of gated roads. The SGL contains .7 mile of abandoned Penn Central RR grade. The farthest interior point from a parking area or gate is .36 miles.

SGL 178 is 79% forested, with the majority of the forest cover being northern hardwoods. The remaining forest habitat types are listed according to percent of coverage: tuliptree-beech-maple, black cherry – northern hardwood, red oak – mixed hardwoods, miscellaneous palustrine/floodplain forest, spruce plantations, red maple and mixed hardwood palustine woodland. Topography varies from level to gently rolling, which permits management access to all of the game land. Elevation varies from 1,135 feet above sea level in the western section of the SGL to 900 feet above sea level near Neshaunock Creek which is a stocked trout fishery.

The mixed successional habitat conditions on the SGL provide good hunting and furtaking opportunities. Depending on the season, pressure varies from light to moderate. The principle species hunted are white-tailed deer and eastern wild turkey. Fox squirrels are hunted to a lesser extent where appropriate habitat exists. Furbearer trapping opportunities include racoon, red and gray fox, and eastern coyote. There is limited pheasant stocking on this SGL.

Hiking, bird watching and cross-country skiing are lawful recreational activities that occur occasionally on the SGL. All roads are closed year-round to public motor vehicle traffic.