State Game Land (SGL) 239 consists of 842 acres and is located in the Pennsylvania Game Commission’s Northeast Region. The property lies within Athens and Smithfield Townships of Bradford County. East Smithfield is the nearest populated town located approximately 3 miles south.

Public access to State Game Lands 239 is provided primarily by Game Land Road (Township Road 329), Chamberlain Road (Township Road 330), and Bowman Road (Township Road 327) bisecting the game land (Figure 3). Additional access is provided by Wolcott Hollow Road (State Route 4018) to the north and Bluebird Road (Township Road 328) and Ballintine Road (Township Road 696) to the south. There are also several gated administrative roads and ten parking areas maintained throughout the game lands. One hundred percent of SGL 239 is one mile or less from a public access point.

Topography is best described as gently rolling with elevations ranging from 1160 feet to 1500 feet. SGL 239 is located in the North Branch of the Susquehanna River watershed and is drained by Wolcott Creek and an unnamed tributary to Buck Creek.

State Game Land 239 hosts a moderate range of land classification types that contain a wide variety of tree, shrub, and herbaceous plant species. SGL 239 is dominated by aspen / grey birch stands. The most common hardwood tree species are aspen, red maple, sugar maple, black cherry, American beech, black birch, grey birch, white ash, hickory, American basswood, serviceberry, and hawthorn. Conifer species include eastern hemlock, eastern white pine, red pine, red spruce, white spruce, and Norway spruce.

State game land 239 is located within Wildlife Management Unit 3C. The principal species hunted on this game land are white-tailed deer, cottontail rabbit, ring-necked pheasant, American woodcock, Eastern wild turkey, ruffed grouse, and gray squirrel. Waterfowl hunting opportunities exist for wood duck, mallard, and Canada geese. Furbearers also provide opportunities for trappers with beaver, mink, muskrat, raccoon, red and gray fox, and Eastern coyote.

Recreational activities that occur occasionally include bird watching and animal viewing from the Township roads. The ponds provide fishing opportunities and are popular ice-fishing spots when conditions allow this activity.