



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 aces of State Game Lands have been acquired with these funds. Each year nearly \$7,000,000 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 sixtyfive percent is used by the general public for nonhunting 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 propagations areas for nongame shore birds. Numerous other projects are planned on State Game Lands and other public

SPORTSMEN'S RECREATION MAP



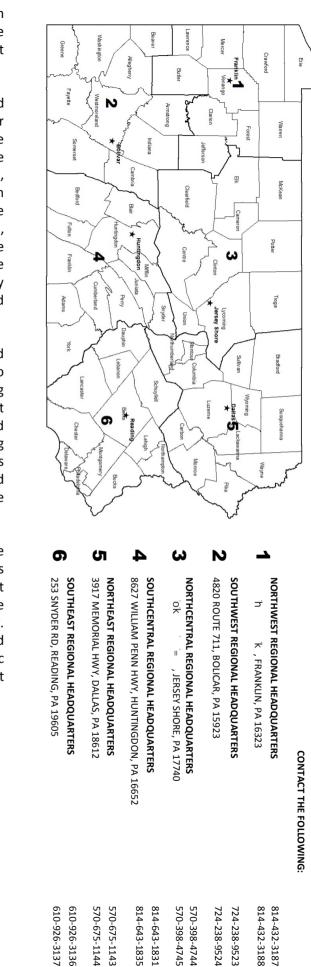
STATE GAME LANDS No. 283 CLARION & JEFFERSON COUNTIES

State Game Land (SGL) 283 contains 3,062.85 acres and located in Clarion and Jefferson Counties in the Pennsylvania Game Commission's (PGC) Northwest Region and in Wildlife Management Unit 2F.

Access is via T-346 (Cathers Run Road), T-365 (Iron Bridge Road) and T-630 (Iron Bridge Road) and a private road known as Nutcracker Road. All can be accessed easily from SR 36. Parking areas are accessible from the roadways listed above (no winter maintenance on Cathers Run, Iron Bridge and Nutcracker Roads) and all gated, interior roads are open to foot travel as well as the Baker Trail, which traverses along Cathers Run. The Clarion River is the major drainage for the area with Cathers Run, Seaton Run, Kahle Run, Clausen Run, and associated unnamed tributaries providing the drainage for the SGL. There are 21.92 miles of interior roadways, of which on 6.96 are maintained by the PGC. 14.96 miles of roadway is maintained by mainly Hanley and Bird, Inc. or are inaccessible to motorized vehicles.

State Game Land 283 is within Wildlife Management Unit 2F and provides a "big woods" type landscape, habitat that is attractive to many species of wildlife and provides good hunting and trapping opportunities for Pennsylvania sportsmen. The mature forest habitat conditions found on this State Game Lands, along with several food plots and maintained herbaceous openings, provide good hunting and furtaking opportunities. Good bear, deer and turkey populations attract a fair number of big game hunters to this SGL. Fox, coyote and raccoon hunting and trapping opportunities exist, although pressure is light.

Bird watching opportunities exist throughout SGL 283. One may be able to view the northern Goshawk, which has been found on this Game Lands. Hiking the many gated, interior roadways, can present easy to moderate challenges for those who wish to traverse the more than 13.83 miles of interior roadways that this SGL has to offer. The Baker Trail traverses along Iron Bridge Road from the south and follows Cather Run downstream to Gravel Lick Road and is an historic trail. Fishing opportunities exist on Cathers Run, as stocked trout stream, as well as some of its tributaries. 11/3/2011



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