

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. 230

CUMBERLAND & PERRY COUNTIES

State Game Lands (SGL) 230 consists of 1,073 acres in two separate tracts in North Middleton and Middlesex townships, northcentral Cumberland County and Carroll Township southcentral Perry County near the village of Carlisle Springs (Cumberland County). The initial acquisition occurred in 1957 when the US government deeded approximately 748.6 acres to the PGC. This property was originally a U.S. military reservation known as the Carlisle Barracks Mountain

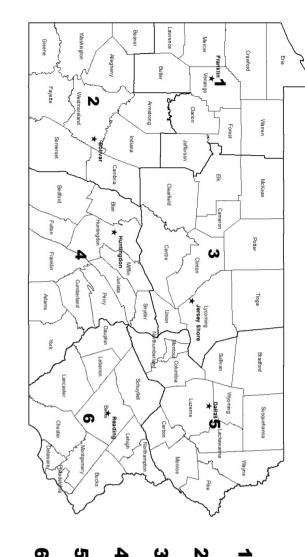
The surrounding landscape is characterized by Blue Mountain, low wooded ridges, adjacent fertile agricultural lands, and developed areas. Elevations range from 460 feet above mean sea level along the drainage that feeds Wertz Run to approximately 1,470 feet at the summit of Blue Mountain. SGL 230 is dominated by deciduous forests, coniferous forests, and herbaceous openings. Of the total acreage, 87.6% (939 acres) is forested.

Access to the larger tract of SGL 230 is excellent. State Route 944 (Enola Road) traverses the southern end of the gamelands and provides public access to 8 parking areas. PGC service roads provide pedestrian access to the interior of the tract. The smaller tract located on Blue Mountain is only accessible by foot. The Tuscarora Trail passes through this part of the SGL along the mountain summit and may be used for pedestrian access.

Located entirely within WMU 4B, SGL 230 receives considerable numbers of deer, turkey, and small-game hunters. Fields are stocked with pheasants during the regular seasons for put-and-take hunting and youth hunting programs that have been in effect for several decades. Rabbit hunting also is popular. Trapping opportunities are afforded, but there is little participation. Although not used as such recently, SGL 230 was used for dog training and dog trials.

SGL 230 has a shooting range complex that includes shooting benches, target holders and backstops, and parking areas. The facilities accommodate rifles at 100, 200, and 300 yards, and handguns at 10, 25, and 50 yards. A separate 50-yard range accommodates law enforcement training. This range is in such demand that use is by reservation only, which is handled at the Southcentral Region Office.

SGL 230 is located in an area of abundant horse stables and farms. All three gravel roads in the southern parcel have been designated as trails open to horse and bike travel. In addition, the Tuscarora Trail, a hiking trail restricted to foot travel, bisects the northern parcel along the ridge of the Blue Mountain. The Tuscarora Trail is blazed with orange paint; its route is approximately 220 miles long through Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, and Virginia and connects with the Appalachian Trail at both ends.



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