

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



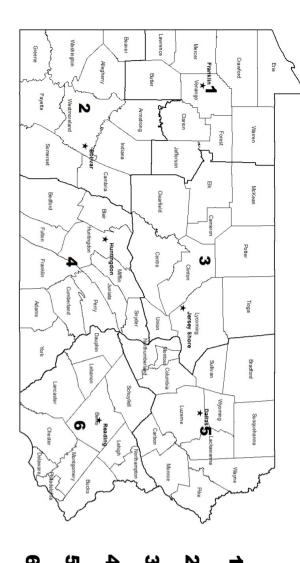
**STATE GAME LANDS** No. 238 **FAYETTE COUNTY** 

State game land (SGL) 238 is located in German Township within Favette County in Wildlife Management Unit 2A, and currently has an acreage of 662.70 acres. The Monongahela River, forming the Greene-Fayette county line, is to the west of the game land. The game land is bisected by Middle Run which flows into the Monongahela.

The Game Commission currently maintains two public parking areas on SGL 238. There are 2.1 miles of maintained administrative roads throughout SGL 238, providing for public access to this area by foot. All roads are currently closed year-round to public motor vehicle traffic and access is controlled with locked gates. The gated roads and rights-of-ways provide access for hunters and avenues for hiking, wildlife photography and bird-watching. There are no designated trails for horseback riding, mountain biking, and snowmobiling.

The terrain of SGL 238 is somewhat hilly, with several areas in the northwestern section that have steep-sided ravines and hollows; elevations range from approximately 800 feet to 1,220 feet.

Hunting and furtaking opportunities include white-tailed deer, turkey, ruffed grouse and squirrel. Furtaking opportunities include raccoon, coyote, red fox, gray fox, beaver, mink, muskrat and bobcat. Stocking of ring-necked pheasant occurs on the SGL primarily on the herbaceous openings closest to the Gates Road parking area.



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