

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



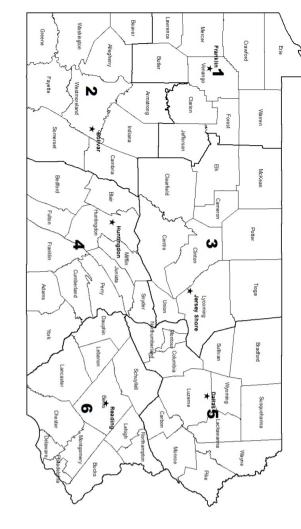
**STATE GAME LANDS** No. 242 YORK COUNTY

State Game Lands 242 is 1,531.2 acres in Warrington and Carrol Townships in rural York County within the Pennsylvania Game Commission's Southcentral Region (Wildlife Management Unit 5B). The Game Lands is one tract of land and is accessible from Old York Road, Mountain Road and Robinson Road.

Topography varies from steep hillsides to level farmland. The highest elevation of about 1,325 feet is found near the peak of Nells Hill. The lowest elevation of 590 feet is found along both Beaver Creek and the North Branch of Beaver Creek.

Twelve parking areas are maintained and foot travel allows access. Compartment #1 has decent access provided by Old York Road, Game Road, and South York Road. There are two parking areas along Old York Road, and one parking area along South York Road. Walking numerous administrative roads, one can access the interior of the compartment. The rifle range limits access to part of compartment # 1. Compartment #2 has access with two parking areas located within the compartment. On the western end of the compartment, one parking area is found on Game Road, the other along Old York Road. To the south, five parking areas provide access to compartment #3. There are four parking areas along Mountain Road, and one along Old York Road. Administrative roads can be used to walk to the interior of the compartment.

Deer, turkey, rabbits, pheasants and squirrels are hunted and there are trapping opportunities for red fox, raccoon, and mink. Hiking, bird watching, nature photography and geo caching are lawful recreational activities that occur occasionally. The Mason Dixon Trail runs through the interior of the Game Lands. Special permits are issued for bird dog clubs that complete training and field hunt tests on this Game Lands as well as several super hikes and orienteering clubs that have permitted activities.



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