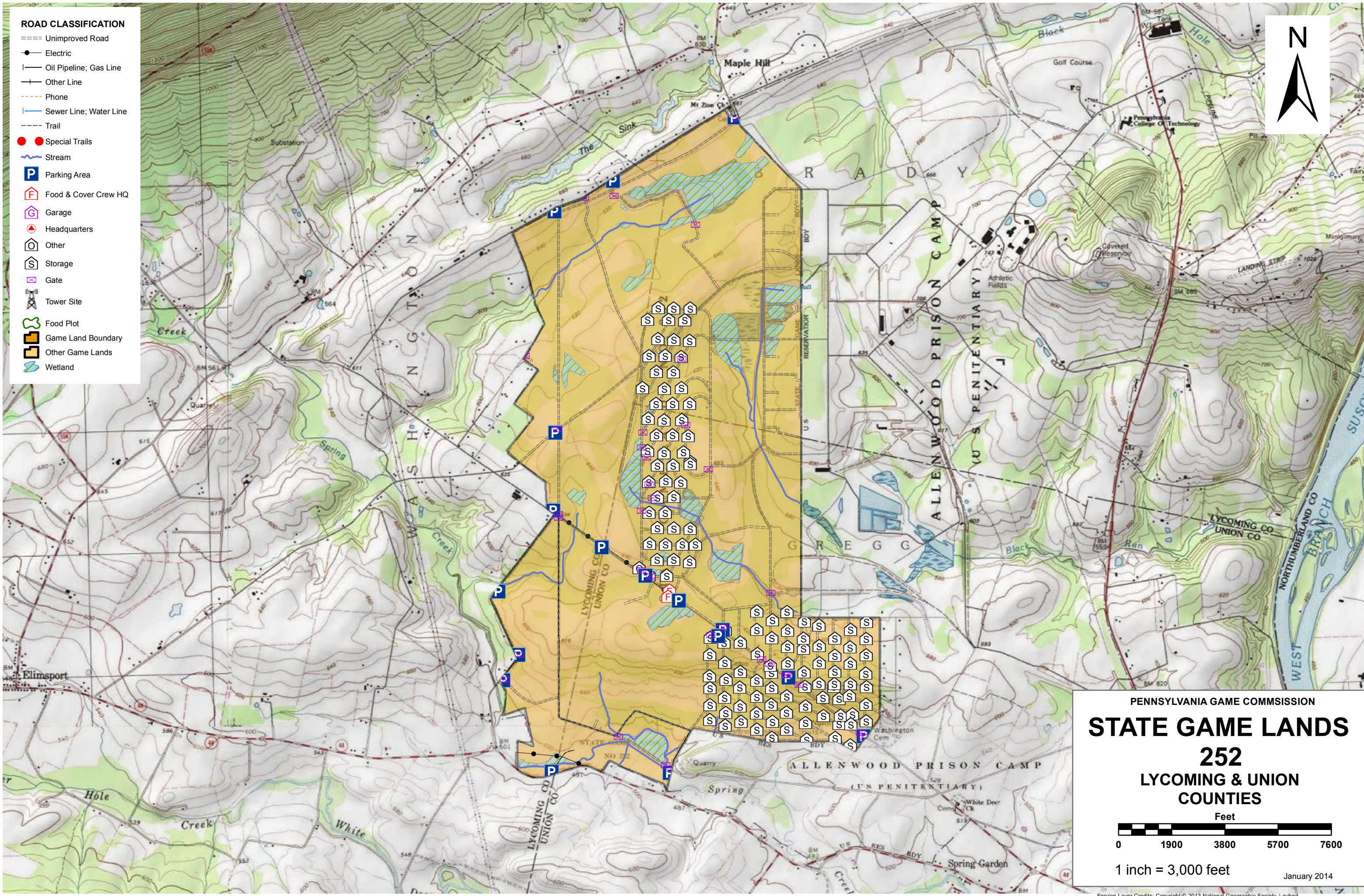
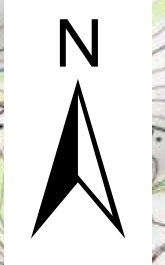


- ROAD CLASSIFICATION**
- ==== Unimproved Road
  - Electric
  - Oil Pipeline; Gas Line
  - Other Line
  - Phone
  - Sewer Line; Water Line
  - Trail
  - Special Trails
  - ~ Stream
  - P Parking Area
  - F Food & Cover Crew HQ
  - G Garage
  - ▲ Headquarters
  - Other
  - S Storage
  - Gate
  - T Tower Site
  - Food Plot
  - Game Land Boundary
  - Other Game Lands
  - Wetland



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# STATE GAME LANDS

## 252

### LYCOMING & UNION COUNTIES

Feet

1 inch = 3,000 feet

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# SPORTSMEN'S RECREATION MAP



## STATE GAME LANDS No. 252 LYCOMING & UNION COUNTIES

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 acres 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 sixty-five percent is used by the general public for non-hunting 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 non-game shore birds. Numerous other projects are planned on State Game Lands and other public

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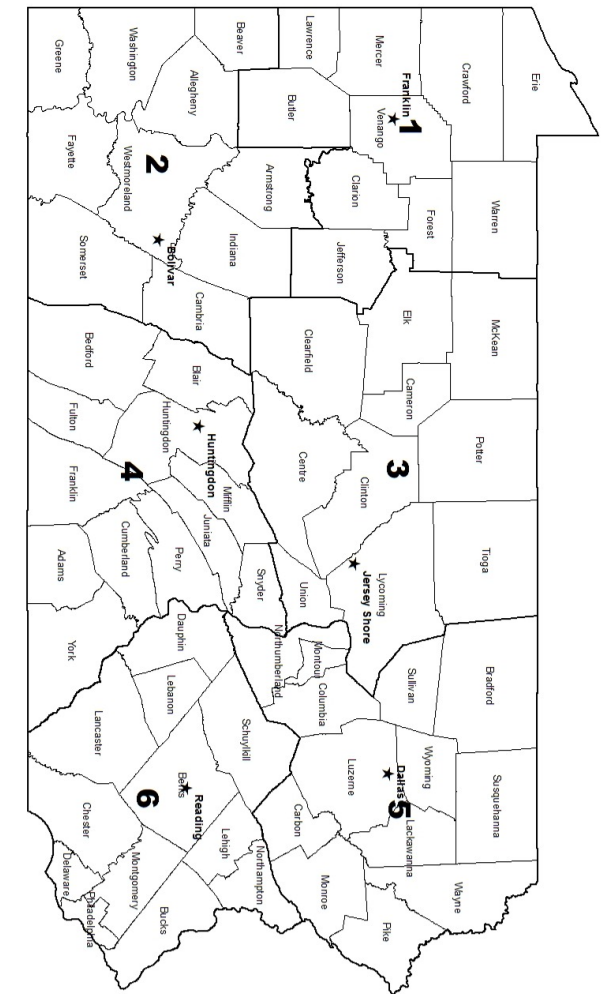
State Game Lands (SGL) 252 is in Brady Township, Lycoming County and Washington and Gregg Townships, Union County. The game land is two separate tracts totaling 3,014 acres in the Pennsylvania Game Commission's Northcentral Region (Wildlife Management Unit 4D).

The entire Game Lands has excellent access. The of two compartments are easily accessed via State Route 44 and Alvira Road. Seventeen parking lots are maintained and foot travel is permissible on the gated maintenance roads which are also designated as horseback and hiking trails. The furthest interior point from a parking area is 0.9 miles.

Topography is largely flat with interspersed gentle slopes. The highest elevation is 650 feet found in the western part of Compartment 1. The lowest elevation occurs at the southern end of Compartment 2 near Spring Creek. Game Lands 252 is approximately 44% forested with lesser amounts in wetland, shrubland or managed herbaceous openings. Forest age distribution is skewed towards mid to late successional stages. High quantities of moist soil and shrubland habitat and several wetlands offer excellent opportunities to manage for early successional habitat and associated species including several species of greatest conservation need. Habitat management in this plan is directed to benefit American woodcock, eastern cottontail, white-tailed deer, mourning dove, alder flycatcher, willow flycatcher, blue-winged warbler and American bittern.

Located entirely in Wildlife Management Unit 4D, SGL 252 is managed primarily for farm game species. The two most popular hunted are the ring-necked pheasant and eastern cottontail. Pheasants are stocked throughout for the Junior Pheasant Hunt, the regular season, and the late season. SGL 252 has large, mature oak woodlots which offer excellent squirrel hunting opportunities. With 19 impoundments duck and goose hunting is good at the opening of the seasons. These impoundments also provide hunters with an opportunity for early green-winged teal action. Big game hunting opportunities include white-tailed deer and the wild turkey. Deer are heavily hunted in all seasons, while turkeys receive far more hunting pressure during the spring gobbler season than in the fall. Every year one or two black bears are harvested by the local hunters during their bear drives. The most popular trapping activities are for beaver, mink, muskrat, and raccoon. Hunttable furbearers include coyote and both the red and gray fox.

Because of its proximity to Williamsport, internal road system, and relatively flat terrain SGL 252 is popular for non-hunting recreation, including hiking, cross-county skiing, bird watching, and berry and wild grape picking. Fishing opportunities include stocked trout in Spring Creek and warm-water species in most of the game land's 19 impoundments. Except for propagation areas, most of the roads are Designated Trails, open to horseback riding and biking. There is a shooting range on the game lands, but because of its location being approximately one mile from the nearest drivable access point it receives light use by the public.



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| <b>2</b> | <b>SOUTHWEST REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS</b><br>4820 ROUTE 711, BOULCAR, PA 15923              | 724-238-9523<br>724-238-9524 |
| <b>3</b> | <b>NORTHCENTRAL REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS</b><br>OK, JERSEY SHORE, PA 17740                  | 570-398-4744<br>570-398-4745 |
| <b>4</b> | <b>SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS</b><br>8627 WILLIAM PENN HWY, HUNTINGDON, PA 16652 | 814-643-1831<br>814-643-1835 |
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