

Greenland Tract

The Weiser State Forest, Greenland tract is located in northeastern Dauphin County. This tract is located on Barry Mountain south of Williamstown in Williams, Jackson, Jefferson and Rush Townships contains about 2,977 acres. The majority of this tract was acquired from Lykens Borough in 1953 and 1963.

Wildfires had much affect on the Greenland Tract and much effort was given from 1958 to 1960 to improve access into this area for the purpose of fire protection and reforestation. It was at this time most of the roads were built. The first manor reforestation project was started in 1965 by root raking the area the fall before with a D7 Caterpillar dozer. Over 183,000 Japanese larch seedlings were planted that year. In 1966, 140,000 Japanese larch and 15,000 white pine seedlings were planted. Tree plantings continued up to 1970.

The present Greenland Road through the tract is and old stagecoach ling between Harrisburg-Carsonville-Tremont-Pottsville. A hotel was situated along the stage line at 9 O'Clock Run and farming of peanuts and peaches was found there at that time in history.

Recreation

Recreational activities include wildlife watching, nature study, hiking, hunting, fishing, mountain biking, backpacking, roadside campsites, cross-country skiing and horseback riding. Snowmobiling is also permitted on trails designated for this use. Please contact the Weiser Forest District Office for a copy of the snowmobile map.

The following is a list of unique features.

Japanese larch seed orchard – Former District Forester Nevin Slusser nurtured a Japanese larch planting to create this orchard, with hopes of providing seed to the state nurseries. The access road leading to the seed orchard was named in his honor for his dedication to the forestry profession at his retirement.

Roadside Campsites – Three single and one group campsites are available, a camping permit is required at no cost. A picnic table and campfire ring is provided. No other facilities or conveniences are available.

Parking Areas – Located at the intersection of RT 209 and Red Hill Road and Greenland Road 1.5 miles west of Greenwood Road.

Care for the Land

State forests belong to all Pennsylvanians. Take time to enjoy them, but know the rules and regulations designed to protect the forests and you. Please be careful with fire, keep our forests litter free and don't damage trees and other plants.

Certified "Well Managed"

Pennsylvania state forests are certified to FSC® standards. The Forest Stewardship Council® is an independent organization supporting environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests.



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Weiser State Forest



Pennsylvania's vast state forest system comprises 2.2 million acres for you to use, enjoy and explore. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Bureau of Forestry manages these forests to ensure their long-term health and to conserve native wild plants.

Weiser State Forest comprises 30,000 acres in Carbon, Columbia, Dauphin, Lebanon, Montour, Northumberland and Schuylkill counties.

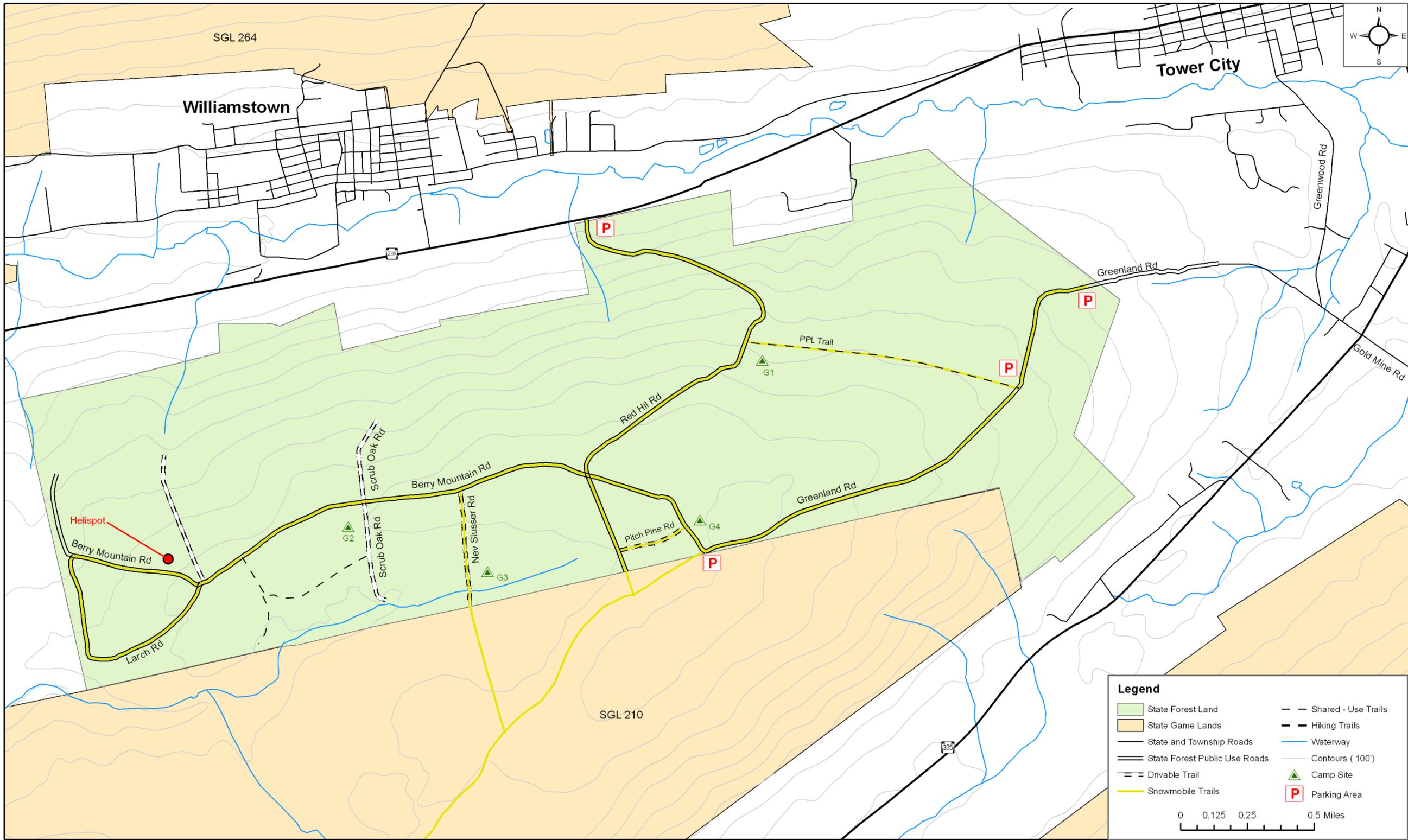
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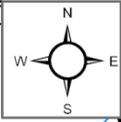




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Williamstown

Tower City



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Legend

- State Forest Land
- State Game Lands
- State and Township Roads
- State Forest Public Use Roads
- Drivable Trail
- Snowmobile Trails
- Shared - Use Trails
- Hiking Trails
- Waterway
- Contours (100')
- Camp Site
- P Parking Area

