Camping

Motorized Camping is camping in or near a vehicle where the vehicle continues to be used for storage or transportation. A free permit is required.

Non-Motorized Camping is overnight camping along a trail, stream or in the Forest away from your car or track. If you are staying one night at a site no permit is required. If you are staying more than one night at a site a free permit is required. If you are staying only one night at a site no permit is required. If you are camping at Rock Run Trailhead, a free permit is required.

Wildlife Watching

The extensive forests of north central Pennsylvania abound with wildlife of all shapes and sizes. Black bear, white-tailed deer and wild turkey are most commonly seen, but there are many more animals that live in these forests that are secretive and difficult to spot - like bobcats, fishers and river otters. Take a moment when you stop for a drink or snack to look around and listen to the rustle of leaves on the forest floor.

For your Safety and Comfort

Campsite except with the lessee’s permission.

- All motorized camping must be more than a road width from any commercial or state park campground.
- All camping must be 100 feet from any stream or open water source unless approved by the District Forest.
- Deposit human waste in catholes dug to 8 inches deep at least 200 feet from water, campsite, or trails. Cover and disguise the cathole when finished.
- Make sure your campfire is cold before you leave.
- Do not burn glass, plastic or metal in your campfire.
- All stone fire rings should be dismantled when done except at permanent campsite.
- Target shooting is not permitted unless authorized in writing by the District Forest.

The Susquehannock State Forest is a “Working Forest”. Working forests provide us many environmental, social, and economic benefits. In every direction, you can see the benefits of the working forest. Forests build soil, filter groundwater, keep streams healthy, create oxygen, and provide shelter and food for plants and animals. They yield important resources we use every day, like timber, firewood, and natural gas. They offer beauty, solitude and the opportunity to recreate. When we manage forests carefully, they stay healthy and productive.

Campers, please use the honor system when making reservations.

Lodging

Make a weekday of it. Information on local lodging and inns may be obtained from the Potter County Visitors Association: (814) 274-5000 or www.visitpottercounty.com

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.

For more information

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The Pennsylvania Wilds

Susquehannock State Forest lies within the Pennsylvania Wilds, a two-million-acre region in north-central Pennsylvania comprising 7 million acres of state forest and game lands, 29 state parks, and the 500,000-acre Allegheny National Forest. The Susquehannock State Forest encompasses about 265,000 acres located primarily in Potter County.

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.

ConservPA

To learn more about the state’s natural resources and what you can do to help protect and enjoy them, log onto ConservPA.org.