

Explore the Outdoors

Near Lewisburg, PA

- **Bald Eagle State Forest** – nearly 196,000 acres across the ridges of central Pennsylvania, featuring miles of pristine mountain streams and numerous tracts of old growth forest. World-renowned fishing on Penns Creek.
- **Joseph E. Ibberson Conservation Area** – this 803-acre conservation area that has an elaborate trail system connecting the Appalachian Trail on the northern slope of Peters Mountain.
- **Milton State Park** – The park is an 82-acre island on the West Branch Susquehanna River, between the boroughs of Milton and West Milton. A well-maintained trail system provides access to the island.
- **McCalls Dam State Park** – The park is surrounded by Bald Eagle State Forest and has a quiet, wooded picnic area where majestic pines, hemlocks, maples, and oaks reach for the sky.
- **Poe Paddy State Park** – is a trout angler's paradise featuring the nationally recognized green drake mayfly hatch (June) or enjoy picnicking, hiking, camping, and snowmobiling.
- **Poe Valley State Park** – is a cozy park featuring the 25-acre Poe Lake, hiking, camping, a beach, fishing, snowmobiling, and cross-country skiing.
- **Raymond B Winter State Park** – The focal point of the park is Halfway Lake which is filled by spring-fed mountain streams and contained by a hand-laid, native sandstone dam.
- **Ravensburg State Park** – a very scenic park, with rock outcroppings draped with stunted oak trees.
- **Reed's Gap State Park** – is a 220-acre wilderness that offers hiking, camping, fishing, and cross-country skiing.
- **Sand Bridge State Park** – this very tranquil park is a lovely picnic spot.
- **Shikellamy State Park** – panoramic views of the Susquehanna River and access to picnicking, hiking, and boating.
- **Susquehanna State Park** – the launching site for the recreational riverboat Hiawatha.
- **Tiadaghton State Forest** – this forest features high-country flats bisected by clean, fast-moving mountain streams, including the legendary Pine Creek, Slate Run, and is home to the Pine Creek Rail Trail.
- **Weiser State Forest** – this forest showcases dozens of special wild and natural areas set aside to protect unique or unusual biologic, geologic, and scenic and historical features, including the Sheets Island Archipelago, a series of islands on the Susquehanna River, and Jakey Hallow Natural Area.

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Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer

Volunteers - they're the lifeblood of our parks and forests. The Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation offers a wide variety of opportunities to put a volunteer's special skills to work. Whether you're a trail-builder, a wildlife expert, an event organizer or one of those special people who always say, "Just put me to work wherever you need me," Pennsylvania's state parks and forests have a role for you.

Foundation Volunteers

Volunteers are welcome to assist with mailings, events, photography, videography, media editing, and more.

Volunteer in State Parks and Forests with Friends Groups

Friends Groups are local groups who volunteer their time, services, and support to enhance our state park and forest systems.

What Do Friends Groups Do?

They work in partnership with the park to:

- Raise money for park playgrounds, equipment, and material
- Organize annual park cleanups and regular trail work days
- Plan and execute special events including craft shows, concerts and festivals
- Construct park and forest amenities like trails, visitor centers and gift shops
- Serve as campground hosts, visitor center hosts, and docents
- Create awareness about the value of their state park or forest

Central Pennsylvania Friends Groups

- Friends of Milton State Park
- Friends of R. B. Winter State Park

Conservation Volunteers

Volunteer opportunities in state parks and forests are also available through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Learn more at

www.paparksandforests.org and www.volunteers.dcnr.state.pa.us/index.aspx