York Protect Lands and Trails in the Pennsylvania Highlands

York County protected lands include public and non-public fee and easement lands within the Pennsylvania Highlands. Trails include local and regional hiking trails and water trails.

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Introduction

The Appalachian Mountain Club has compiled the protected lands, public and non-public fee and easement lands, as well as local and regional hiking trails and water trails that are within the Pennsylvania Highlands within the county of York. Regional hiking and water trails are within a minimum of 3 municipalities. Local hiking trails are within one or two municipalities. Hiking trials include both on and off road trails.

This compilation is meant to be a resource for those living and working in the Pennsylvania Highlands. However, because protection of lands and trail development are constantly evolving, please understand that the information in this guide will also change. While we will do our best to keep the information current, please make sure to check other sources and the internet for the most current information.

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Total GIS Acreage	583,659
GIS Acres within the PA Highlands	158,099
% of County within the PA Highlands	27%

Carroll Township		9,613 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	8	< 1%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	54	1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	179	2%
Total		241	3%
Lands Protected Since 2012		152	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0.2	
Water Trails		0.1	
Total		0.3	

Regional hiking and water trails within Carroll Township include the Mason-Dixon Trail and the Yellow Breeches Creek Water Trail.

Conewago Township		15,760 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	38	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	87	1%
Total		125	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		87	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		8.1	
Water Trails		0	
Total		8.1	

Regional hiking trail within Conewago Township includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Dillsburg Borough		513 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	0	0%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		0	0%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Dover Borough		328 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	6	2%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		6	2%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Dover Township		26,840 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	76	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	1,825	7%
Total		1,901	7%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		1.2	
Water Trails		0	
Total		1.2	

Regional hiking trail within Dover Township includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Fairview Township		22,834 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	2	< 1%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	152	1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	114	< 1%
Total		268	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		5.5	
Total		5.5	

Regional water trail within Fairview Township includes the Yellow Breeches Creek Water Trail.

Franklin Township		12,343 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	939	8%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	60	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	30	< 1%
Total		1,029	8%
Lands Protected Since 2012		79	

Trails	GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails	0	
Regional Land Trails	6.5	
Water Trails	0	
Total	6.5	

Regional hiking trail within Franklin Township includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Franklintown Borough		161 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	14	9%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	13	8%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		27	17%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0.5	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0.5	

Regional hiking trail within Franklintown Borough includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Goldsboro Borough		295 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	7	2%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		7	2%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Lewisberry Borough		88 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	1	1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		1	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Monaghan Township		8,315 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	0	0%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	98	1%
Total		98	1%
Lands Protected since 2012			
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		1.7	
Total		1.7	

Regional water trail within Monaghan Township includes the Yellow Breeches Creek Water Trail.

Newberry Township		19,825 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	54	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	180	1%
Total		234	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		180	

Trails	GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails	0	
Regional Land Trails	0.1	
Water Trails	0	
Total	0.1	

Regional hiking trail within Newberry Township includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Warrington Township		23,026 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	3,647	16%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	21	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	1,058	5%
Total		4,736	21%
Lands Protected Since 2012		138	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		14.1	
Regional Land Trails		17.5	
Water Trails		0	
Total		31.6	

Regional hiking trail within Warrington Township includes the Mason-Dixon Trail.

Washington Township		17,832 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	187	1%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	0	0%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	1,972	11%
Total		2,159	12%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Wellsville Borough		86 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	1	1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		1	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

York Haven Borough		241 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Туре	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	5	2%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	0	0%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		5	2%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	