

Adams Protect Lands and Trails in the Pennsylvania Highlands

Adams 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 Adams. Regional hiking and water trails are within a minimum of three municipalities. Local hiking trails are within one or two municipalities. Hiking trails 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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Adams County

Total GIS Acreage	333,838
GIS Acres within the PA Highlands	171,273
% of County within the PA Highlands	51%

Arendtsville Borough		469 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	19	< 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		19	< 1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Benderville Borough		304 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	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	

Biglerville Borough		385 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	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		1	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0.1	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0.1	

Butler Township		15,405 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	216	1%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	20	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	671	4%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	924	6%
Total		1,831	12%
Lands Protected Since 2012		491	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0.4	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0.4	

Carroll Valley Borough		3,486 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	214	6%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	1	< 1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	0	0%
Total		215	6%
Lands Protected Since 2012		1	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Fairfield Borough		416 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	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	

Franklin Township		43,876 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	13,226	30%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	12	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	3,044	7%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	2,605	6%
Total		18,887	43%
Lands Protected Since 2012		215	

Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		12.6	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		6.1	
Total		18.7	

Regional water trail within Franklin Township include the Conococheague River Water Trail.

Hamiltonban Township		25,341 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	6,781	27%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	810	3%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	723	3%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	269	1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	887	4%
Total		9,470	37%
Lands Protected Since 2012		79	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		8.1	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		8.1	

Huntington Township		15,958 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	583	4%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	10	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	382	2%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	1,268	8%
Total		2,243	14%
Lands Protected Since 2012		197	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Latimore Township		13,814 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	489	4%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	49	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	157	1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	832	6%
Total		1,527	11%
Lands Protected Since 2012		95	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Liberty Township		10,408 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	3	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	223	2%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	172	2%
Total		398	4%
Lands Protected Since 2012		35	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Menallen Township		27,357 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	5,730	21%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	107	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	397	1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	2,371	9%
Total		8,605	31%
Lands Protected Since 2012		511	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		33.8	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		33.8	

Tyrone Township		13,901 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	557	4%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	0	0%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	157	1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	882	6%
Total		1,596	11%
Lands Protected Since 2012		28	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

York Springs Borough		154 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	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	