

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 3 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	333,936
GIS Acres within the PA Highlands	171,364
% of County within the PA Highlands	51%

Arendtsville Borough		510 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	19	4%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	2	< 1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	73	14%
Total		94	18%
Lands Protected Since 2012		75	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Benderville Borough		295 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		419 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		15,378 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	94	1%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	670	4%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	1,071	7%
Total		2,071	13%
Lands Protected Since 2012		298	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		2.5	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		2.5	

Carroll Valley Borough		3,489 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		426 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	4	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		4	1%
Lands Protected Since 2012		0	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Franklin Township		43,946 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	13,360	30%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	12	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	3,288	7%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	2,670	6%
Total		19,330	44%
Lands Protected Since 2012		390	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		17.3	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		17.3	

Hamiltonban Township		25,337 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	6,791	27%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	961	4%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	723	3%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	501	2%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	887	4%
Total		9,863	39%
Lands Protected Since 2012		210	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		21.7	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		21.7	

Huntington Township		15,987 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	584	4%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	3	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	421	3%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	2,173	14%
Total		3,181	20%
Lands Protected Since 2012		631	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Latimore Township		13,794 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	290	2%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	832	6%
Total		1,660	12%
Lands Protected Since 2012		133	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Liberty Township		10,397 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	0	0%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	2	< 1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	280	3%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	172	2%
Total		454	4%
Lands Protected Since 2012		57	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

Menallen Township		27,367 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	5,727	21%
County	Fee	0	0%
Municipality	Fee	146	1%
Non-Public Landowner			
NGO/Non-Profit Organization	Fee	0	0%
Private Landowner	Conservation Easement	397	1%
Private Farm Owner	Agricultural Easement	2,432	9%
Total		8,702	32%
Lands Protected Since 2012		62	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0.9	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0.9	

Tyrone Township		13,890 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	910	7%
Total		1,624	12%
Lands Protected Since 2012		29	
Trails		GIS Miles	
Local Land Trails		0	
Regional Land Trails		0	
Water Trails		0	
Total		0	

York Springs Borough		129 GIS Acres	
Public Landowner	Type	GIS Acres	% of Municipality
Federal	Fee	0	0%
State	Fee	1	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	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	