

## Mocanaqua Tract

The Mocanaqua Tract features a 15-mile interconnecting trail system open to non-motorized shared use recreation. There are three scenic vistas that highlight the Susquehanna Valley and the Borough of Shickshinny. While the trail system is open to hiking, biking, and horseback riding some sections are best suited for foot traffic only. The trails are organized in multiple loops marked in specific colors.

The Mocanaqua Tract has a rich history in coal mining, and visitors will see many relics as they explore. Coal was first mined along the surface starting in 1837, but these operations weren't very productive. It wasn't until 1856 that the Mocanaqua Coal Company was formed and deep mines were dug following veins of coal. This company employed up to 500 men. Later, in 1881, the Conyngham, Teasdale Company leased the land, repaired the breaker and colliery and increased the output to 800 tons per day. The breaker was eventually destroyed by fire in 1893, replaced, and burned again in 1897. A third operation began in 1932 but all operations ceased in 1959.



*Visitors to the Mocanaqua Tract will be greeted with many unique rock formations and old mining relics.*

## 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.

## Dual Certified Forest

Pennsylvania's 2.2-million-acre state forest system is one of the largest dual certified forests in North America. The forest is certified under Forest Stewardship Council™ and Sustainable Forestry Initiative® standards.

The FSC® is an independent organization supporting environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable management of the world's forests.

SFI® certification focuses on protection of water quality, biodiversity, wildlife habitat, species at risk, and forests with exceptional conservation value. Dual certification ensures that Pennsylvania's state forests are managed to the highest third-party standards.



## For More Information

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Pennsylvania's vast state forest system comprises 2.2 million acres for you to use, enjoy, and explore. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Bureau of Forestry manages these forests to ensure their long-term health and to conserve native wild plants.

Pinchot State Forest comprises almost 50,000 acres and the district serves Lackawanna, Luzerne, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming counties.



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