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DOOLITTLE STATION

DINOSAURS CRAFT BEER AND FINE DINING

Venture to the charming town of DuBois, where you'll discover one of the most unique attractions in the Clearfield county: **Doolittle Station**, a replicated 1880 B&O Rail Depot, complete with an array of train cars housing everything from a bed-and-breakfast to a brewery, and more.

Make this your home base when you stay in one of the **private sleeping cars**, such as the historic 1901 Pullman Presidential car, with a custom-built shower and bathroom attached, or one of the beautifully restored railroad cabooses.

You'll find plenty of on-site dining options during your stay. **The Parlor Car**—housed inside a rare 1913 parlor railroad car—boasts a farm-to-table menu with mouthwatering dishes such as filet mignon, grilled scallops, wine-soaked cedar plank salmon, and more. For a more casual experience, the **Diner Car** is where you'll find gourmet burgers loaded with unique toppings, specialty sandwiches, healthy salads, and traditional brunch dishes. Burgers,



thick milkshakes, and scoops of freshly made ice cream from the historic Penn State Berkey Creamery are the draw at **Roadside Cafe**, while pizza piled with your choice of toppings is sure to satisfy at **Railcar Pizza**. For special needs children and adults, make a reservation in **The Little Caring Car**, which offers a private, personalized dining experience for the whole family.

For a pint of cold craft beer, take a seat at **Boxcar Brew Works** and sip your way through a rotating lineup of 20 taps. These small-batch beers are often created in collaboration with local homebrewers, resulting in everything from Mike's Seraphic Double IPA to Andy's Blueberry Shandy. Pair your beer with gourmet snacks and pub fare, such as beer-steamed mussels and a New England-style lobster roll on a buttered split top roll.

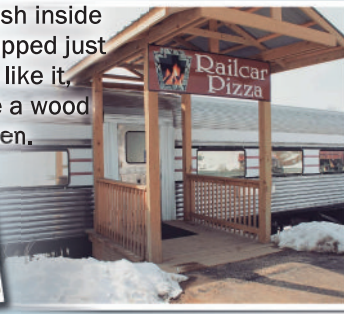
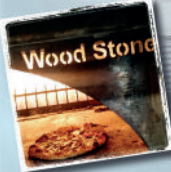
Ready for some fun while you're in town? Little ones will find plenty of adventure at the **Doolittle's Dinosaurs** animatronic dinosaur museum, where they can see colorful dinosaurs come to life, dig for fossils, and even ride one of these prehistoric creatures. Or they can enjoy a miniature thrill at the **Model Railroading Museum** inside the Rail Depot, where tiny trains and towns create a unique scene.



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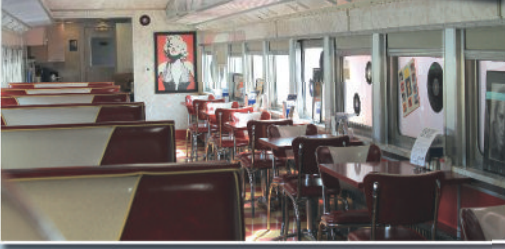


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The Ultimate Elk Experience

The Ultimate Elk viewing experience starts here in Clearfield County! Pennsylvania is home to the largest free-roaming elk herd in the northeastern United States. Hearing a bull elk bugle for the first time is an extraordinary experience and something you will never forget! So let's travel to the Quehanna Wilds and visit the Elk Country Visitor Center!

SOME HISTORY

There was a time when elk roamed freely throughout their native Pennsylvania range. But with increased settlement came loss of habitat, and by the mid-1800s unregulated hunting had wiped out the state's native elk herd. Reintroduction of these magnificent animals began in 1913, when the Pennsylvania Game Commission imported 177 Rocky Mountain elk into Pennsylvania. Today, more than 1,000 elk live here and are the largest herd in the northeastern United States.

Over the past two decades, the Pennsylvania Game Commission, the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Keystone Elk Country Alliance and other organizations have worked to conserve and protect elk and their habitat. Through improvements in the elk range and other efforts, it is hoped this wonderful animal will continue to roam the Pennsylvania wilderness.

To begin your elk-viewing experience, stop in at our luxurious hotels, motels or B&Bs right off Interstate 80 in Dubois (exits 97,101) or Clearfield (exit 120) so that you can drop off your luggage and get ready for a great adventure.

HOW TO GET THERE FROM CLEARFIELD

Hop back into your vehicle and travel SR 879-Quehanna Highway to SR 555 from Clearfield. Make sure to keep your eyes open because you will see plenty of

wildlife on the way! Here are some wildlife viewing areas for you to visit: Hoover Farm Wildlife Viewing, Wykoff Run Natural Area, Beaver Run Dam Wildlife Viewing, and Marion Brooks Natural Area. You will also pass some great dining and spirits that are worth the stop along the way, including: Redwood Inn, Riverfront Bar & Grill, Quehanna Motor Lodge, Medix Hotel, Benezette Wines, and Benezette Hotel. The entrance for the elk viewing is located at 134 Homestead Dr., Benezette. Remember to use your GPS if you have it available!

HOW TO GET THERE FROM DUBOIS

Hop back into your vehicle and jump back onto I-80 to exit 111 and follow SR 153 to SR 555 for a beautiful scenic tour of Clearfield County as you head towards the town of Benezette. You will pass two beautiful and scenic state parks along the way, so don't forget to stop at S.B. Elliott State Park and Parker Dam State Park. You will also pass some great dining and spirits that are worth the stop along the way, including: Applewood BBQ, Medix Hotel, Benezette Wines, and Benezette Hotel. The entrance for the elk viewing is located at 134 Homestead Dr., Benezette. Remember to use your GPS if you have it available!

Enjoy your stay in Clearfield County! Please remember to stop in and see us to plan your trip(s) or to get more information about Clearfield County. Thanks for the visit!





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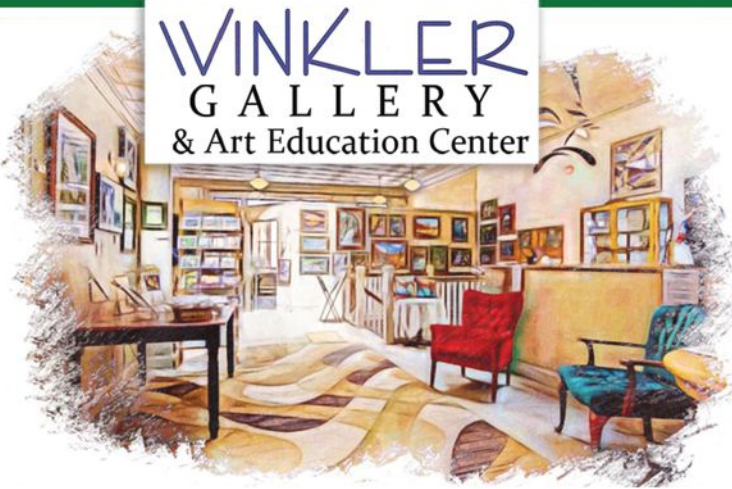


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See Punxsutawney Phil in **Phil's Burrow** at the Library. Stop at **Groundhog Club Headquarters** to see rare and historic Groundhog Day memorabilia. Groundhog.org

Visit **Gobblers Knob**, where Phil makes his Feb. 2 winter prognostication. Walk the wooded trail to enjoy the metal art sculptures and informative displays along its path. Groundhog.org

Great food, artisans, games, street sales, car shows, and fireworks at the 2020 **Festival in the Park**, June 27-July 4 in Barclay Square. 800-752-PHIL Punxsutawney.com

At the **Weather Discovery Center** create a thunderstorm, be a TV weather forecaster, and more while you explore the science and folklore of weather in a historic former post office. Weatherdiscovery.org

Browse the **quaint shops** in Downtown. Relax or listen to a summer concert in beautiful **Barclay Square**.

Learn about Punxsutawney & Groundhog Day history at the museums of the **Punxsutawney Area Historical & Genealogical Society & Coal Memorial**. Punxsyhistory.org

Be entertained at the **Groundhog Festival** held annually the week of July 4th. Craft booths, food vendors and free nightly entertainment. NEW LOCATION 461 N. Findley St. GroundhogFestival.com

Explore the **Mahoning Shadow Trail** as it winds 15 miles along Mahoning Creek, past wildflowers, a waterfall and historic sites. MahoningShadowTrail.org

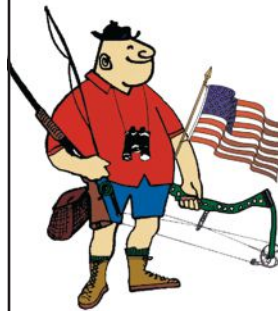
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Bee Kind Winery, located minutes from Interstate 80, has over 20 delicious wines ranging from dry to sweet. Our main location houses pottery from local artisan Jason Bloom, as well as wine accessories & other locally crafted products.



Bee Kind Winery
Open Tuesday & Wednesday 12 pm-6 pm
Thursday - Saturday 10 am-7 pm
14325 Clearfield-Shawville Hwy.
Clearfield, PA 16830
(814) 205-4198 • BeeKindWinery.com

BENEZETTE WINES

One of the area's newest wineries shares its fame with the Pennsylvania elk. This winery has an outdoor patio that backs up to a 200-year-old oak tree and borders state game lands. Its gift shop displays photos and memorabilia of the history of the Benezette area.

Benezette Wines
Open Monday - Thursday 11 am-6 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am-7 pm
Sunday 10 am-6 pm
196 Second St., Benezette, PA 15821
(814) 787-4000 • Benezettewines.com

BOXCAR BREW WORKS

Doolittle's complex along Rich Valley Highway, the artisanal nano-brewery, is unique in several ways. First, its taproom is located in a 1920-1930s era baggage car and 1922-1926 boxcar. The brewery is in a 1960-1970s era boxcar with a 1944 transfer caboose for storage. Then, there's also a 1910-1920s era caboose for private service, as well as a large outdoor seating area. Aside from being what owner Rice touts as "the nicest bar in a rail car in Pennsylvania," its 20 taps will allow other homebrewers to experiment on a larger scale. Thus its slogan, "Brewed by friends."

Boxcar Brew Works
Open Tuesday & Wednesday 4 pm-9 pm
Thursday 4 pm-10 pm
Friday & Saturday 12 pm-11 pm
Sunday 12 pm-8 pm
1290 Rich Hwy.
DuBois, Pennsylvania, PA 15801
(814) 603-0210 • doolittlestation.com

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Laurel Mountain Winery
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Located in Curwensville, owner Ken Starr learned the art of winemaking from his father in 1952. He started making his own wine in 1977, and now four generations of winemakers are bottling the largest selection of wine in the county. While at Starr Hill, you can visit the gift shop featuring Polish pottery, taste one of their many wines and take a tour of the entire winemaking product.



Starr Hill Vineyards and Winery
Open year-round
Monday - Friday 10 am-5 pm
Saturday 10 am-5 pm
Sunday 1 pm-5 pm

Starr Hill Vineyard & Winery has several retail locations, and it is the first winery in the USA to be located in Walmart stores. For more information on these locations, visit starrhillwinery.com
861 Bailey Rd., Curwensville, PA 16833
(814) 236-0910

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Thursday & Friday
One-hour tour at 10:30 am & 12:30 pm
Saturday tours by appointment
(814) 834-2875 x100
Eternal Tap & Gift Shop:
Monday - Saturday 9 am-4:30 pm
Retail Beer Store:
Monday - Saturday 8:30 am-8 pm
303 Sorg St., St. Marys, PA 15857
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Two Birch Winery
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Thursday 3 pm-6 pm
Friday 3 pm-7 pm
Saturday 1 pm-7 pm
12 South Brady St., DuBois, PA 15801
(814) 771-3026
two-birch-winery.business.site

WAPITI RIDGE WINE CELLARS

The winery is nestled on a ridgetop surrounded by nature here in the PA Wilds of Clearfield County. Being lovers of the outdoors, Wapiti Ridge felt it was essential to bring a touch of nature to its tasting room. Enjoy the elegant but rustic atmosphere while tasting some fabulous wine.

Wapiti Ridge Wine Cellars
Open Wednesday & Thursday 11 am-5 pm
Friday & Saturday 11 am-6 pm
Sunday 1 pm-5 pm
7560 Bennetts Valley Hwy.
DuBois, PA 15801
(814) 371-5700

WINERY AT WILCOX AT THE DUBOIS MALL

This winery has been conveniently located inside the DuBois Mall for 20+ years. The main winery is nestled in the mountains of the Allegheny National Forest. Stop in for a wine-tasting tour and be sure to visit the gift-shop area for wine-related items, gift baskets and much more.

Winery at Wilcox DuBois
Open Monday - Thursday 10 am-8 pm
Friday & Saturday 10 am-9 pm
Sunday 12 pm-5 pm
5522 Shaffer Rd., DuBois, PA 15801
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Treasure Lake



Treasure Lake is a semi-private resort-style residential development located 100 miles northeast of Pittsburgh, near DuBois, Pennsylvania. With more than 9,000 acres of wooded land and more than 2,200 homes, you will find Treasure Lake is an ideal alternative to the fast-paced life of the big city. Among the lush woods, sparkling lakes, and scenic surroundings you will find peace and tranquility living side by side with virtually every recreational opportunity imaginable. Included are two magnificent 18-hole golf courses, each with Pro Shops and taverns, tennis courts, swimming pools, sandy beaches, KOA Campground and cabins, and much more. Families will appreciate nature trails, sports fields and playgrounds within the community. You can learn more about the opportunities and exciting adventures that await at VisitTreasureLake.com



one headlight



Why plan a road trip to the backwoods, backroads, backwaters, of central Pennsylvania? Some might say it's the sweeping curves, quiet roadways and breathtaking views that are building this region as a destination for adventurers worldwide. Others recognize its easy access from Interstate 80 and U.S. Route 219. There are over 40 lodging properties to rest and relax at as you explore the region.

Clearfield County encompasses 1,154 square miles of Pennsylvania, with an elevation ranging from 780 feet at the West Branch Susquehanna River to 2,405 feet in the mountains. The county features spectacular views of gorges, rivers, lakes, forests, hills and valleys, and wildlife.

Take a river-hugging journey along the West Branch Susquehanna Byway. The Byway is a 72-mile driving tour that allows you to enjoy the West Branch Susquehanna River, scenic destinations, local flavor and historic culture from the seat of your vehicle.

One of our motorists' favorite trips winds through the Quehanna Wild Area, the largest wild area east of the Mississippi. The backroads circle through miles of untapped wilderness with views of

Pennsylvania hardwoods, including an award-winning virgin white birch forest at Marion Brooks Natural Area.

In the fall, the largest free-roaming elk herd in the East is very active. Their bugling rings through the mountains as they vie to become the king of the clan. You can stop at one of many wildlife viewing areas and start your list of all the creatures you come in contact with while traveling through Clearfield County.

Spring is a great time to enjoy the awakening of the flora and fauna that decorates the geography of this gorgeous region. Pennsylvania's state flower, the mountain laurel is in bloom along with native flowering trees and bushes. Traveling Rockton Mountain in early to mid-June is the best time to see miles of striking mountain laurel readying itself for interested viewers along the highway. The high elevation of this stretch of roadway allows you to delve into the majestic feeling of sitting on top of the world.

Summer travelers often enjoy the motorcycle-friendly events that take place around the region. It is a great time to stop by Amish shops or grab an ice-cream cone from a small dairy. Clearfield County is one of the friendliest places on Earth, where old-time values are still

a custom honored by most. You can find establishments that welcome bikers with open arms and share stories that will lead you to great adventures for years to come.

One of the country's most unique Harley-Davidson shops is located in the city of DuBois. This building, once the site of Goodrich Manufacturing, was transformed into an old-fashioned downtown. Visitors may walk down a street lined with Harley-Davidsons that just so happen to be looking for an owner. Feed the parking meters along the sidewalks for charity. With one of the area's best service centers, a gift shop filled with swag and an on-site barber, DuBois Harley-Davidson is a biker's haven.

Now that you are ready to take a road trip to Clearfield County, planning will be easy with this Half Way to Everywhere travel planner. Use Clearfield County as the hub and spoke stop on your next trip.

We are anxious to hear about your trip! Visit us on Facebook at Visit Clearfield County, and share your photos and stories about your visit to the backwoods, backroads, backwaters of Clearfield County.



FAMILY FUN

CLEARFIELD

Float down the **West Branch of the Susquehanna River** on a tube, raft, canoe or kayak, or take a stroll on the brand-new riverwalk located between the **Market St.** and **Nichols St. bridges**. Then, have a picnic lunch at **Lower Witmer Park**.

Mountain bike the **Clearfield-to-Grampian Rail Trail**. The 11-mile cinder trail is mostly flat and follows the West Branch of the Susquehanna River. The trailhead is located off Old Town Rd., Clearfield, PA 16830.

Visit **Liddle Gallery** and view artwork and crafts made by Clearfield County artisans. Imagine what it would be like if you were in one of the paintings. And be sure to admire the large mural on the outside of the building before you enter. Located at 109 E. Market St., Clearfield, PA 16830.

Practice your skateboarding skills at the **Clearfield County Fairgrounds Skate Park** near Mill Road, or challenge your friend to a tennis match at the courts inside the grandstand oval. Located at Stadium Dr., Clearfield, PA 16830.

CURWENSVILLE

Take a self-guided walking tour of **Bilger's Rocks**, a 300-million-year-old geological phenomenon created by frost wedging. Explore 20 acres of massive rocks that tower up to five stories high and measure up to 20 feet thick. Located at 1928 Bilger's Rocks Rd., Grampian, PA 16838.

Picnic at **Irvin Park** and play basketball or tennis on the free courts. Bring a fishing rod and try your luck along the banks of the **West Branch of the Susquehanna River**. Located on Irvin Park Rd., Curwensville, PA 16833.

Get your picture taken next to the **Doughboy Statue** and read the names of those who proudly served in World War I. Learn about the Bucktail Regiment at nearby **Bucktail Memorial**. Download the free Geocaching app

and use your smartphone to find the Bucktails & Doughboys cache. Located between State Street and North Street in Curwensville, PA 16833.

Wander one of many hiking trails at **Curwensville Lake Recreation Area** and read about the Lumber Heritage Region or **Curwensville Dam**. Try out the playground equipment and take a picnic lunch. Bring your fishing rod and reel in the big one or relax on the beach. Located at 1256 Lake Dr., Curwensville, PA 16833.

COALPORT

Take a step back in time at **Coalport Area Coal Museum**. See artifacts donated by family members of former coal miners who wished to have their memories preserved. Located inside the **Coalport Community Building** at 961 Forest St., Coalport, PA 16627.

DUBOIS

Stop by **Winkler Gallery of Fine Art** to see a children's carousel made in 1896 by W. H. Halstead in London, England. Marvel at a collection of paintings created by elephants. Located at 36 N. Brady St., DuBois, PA 15801.

Cruise the indoor streets of **DuBois Harley-Davidson**, located at 101 W. DuBois Ave., DuBois, PA 15801. After that, stop by nearby **City Park** along Parkway Drive. Play a pickup game on the courts or run, walk or bike the **Beaver Meadow Walkway**.

Take in a baseball game at the beautiful **Showers Field Complex**. The field is home to the DuBois Area High School and Penn State-DuBois baseball teams. Located just off of Maple Avenue, DuBois, PA 15801.





HOUTZDALE

Ride a horse on the **Houtzdale Rails to Trails**. Or walk, hike or bike the trail and stop near **Minit Mart** to read about the infamous 1893 Walter L. Main circus-train wreck. On-street parking is available along Hannah Street, Houtzdale, PA 16651.

JANESVILLE

Bring your boat to **Janesville Dam** for a fun-filled day of fishing, or play a game of catch at the adjacent **Mountz Memorial Park**. Located at 525 Walnut St., Smithmill, PA 16680.

PENFIELD

Parker Dam State Park offers many year-round environmental education and interpretive programs at no cost. Through hands-on activities, guided walks and evening programs, participants gain appreciation, understanding, and develop a sense of stewardship toward natural and cultural resources. A small-scale, interpretive maple-sugaring operation runs throughout March. Apple-cider making is demonstrated each October at the annual Fall Festival.

A small, environmental education center, attached to the park office, offers interpretive displays, games and children's books to look over. **The Lou and Helen Adams Civilian Conservation Corps Museum** near the breast of the dam educates visitors about the life and times of the corps members. It is open Sunday afternoons during the summer season when volunteers are available or upon request. Wayside exhibits interpreting a 1985 tornado are along Mud Run Road near **Tyler Cabin**.

Enjoy a nice sunny day and build a sandcastle on the beach and take a dip in the fresh, cool waters at **Parker Lake** or go birdwatching. Located at 28 Fairview Rd., Penfield, PA 15849.

Enjoy a family picnic at **S.B. Elliott State Park**. Picnicking amidst towering pine and oak trees is a treat for the whole family. The park offers ample parking, tables, three reservable picnic pavilions, drinking water and non-flush restrooms. Located along Old Route 153, Penfield, PA 15849.

Then, visit nearby **Shagger's Inn**, in **Moshannon State Forest**, a shallow-water impoundment that provides critical

wetland habitat for an abundance of wildlife and a close, secluded spot to canoe, kayak, fish, hunt, wildlife watch & picnic. The wetland contains one of the few nesting areas in PA for Osprey. Waterfowl are common in spring and fall. The surrounding **Moshannon State Forest** is an excellent place to find Scarlet Tanager, Purple Finch and Wild Turkey. Other wildlife includes beaver, black bear and white-tailed deer.

Spend a day at **Quehanna Wild Area**, the state's largest wildlife area. Bring your binoculars to **Hoover Farm** wildlife viewing area and listen for the majestic bugle of bull elk. Take in the eye-popping beauty of the largest stand of white birch in the Eastern U.S. and visit the monument at **Marion Brooks Natural Area**. Then, take a walk on **Quehanna Trail** and watch for wildlife. Quehanna Wild Area is located along Quehanna Highway in Cameron, Clearfield and Elk counties.



WILD & WONDERFUL

Shaggers Inn and the Quehanna Wild Area

Deep in the Pennsylvania Wilds lies the North Central Region's best-kept secrets, Shaggers Inn and the Quehanna Wild Area.

Quehanna Wild Area is synonymous with outdoor adventure. It's a place to trade iPads and cell phone service for backpacks and binoculars.

Shaggers Inn is the largest of the Moshannon State Forest operated dams. This dam is in the northernmost part of Clearfield County and is an excellent shallow water fishery. There is a pull-up boat launch where non-motorized boats can be launched and utilized during certain portions of the year. This area has a wooden pier for handicapped fishing access to allow adequate recreational opportunities for all. In 2019, the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission began stocking trout for the first time. This location is a highly utilized and prized location of many forest users for multiple recreational reasons and is home to many waterfowl and other wildlife species. Other attractions in the area include Parker Dam State Park, S.B. Elliot State Park, Beaver Run Viewing Area, Hoover Farm Viewing Area and Elk Country Visitors Center to name a few. Shaggers Inn is a primitive site with minimal infrastructure and only receives periodic maintenance, please do not litter and leave the location as nice or better as you found it.

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WHAT TO DO AT SHAGGERS INN

FISHING

Starting in 2019, the Fish and Boat Commission started stocking Shaggers Inn with trout for the season opener as a seasonal fishery. Other species of fish other than stocked trout which can be found include bluegill, pickerel, perch and largemouth bass. Ice fishing is permitted, however, state forest roads are not plowed during the winter months. Please use caution on the roads and on the water.

BIRDING/SIGHTSEEING

Shaggers Inn is a good site to view wildlife specifically various bird species. Canada geese, various duck species, bald eagles and osprey flourish in the Shaggers Inn area. Osprey nests are visible from the wooden pier and many visitors enjoy viewing the osprey especially during late spring when they are on the nest. Boating is prohibited on Shaggers Inn from April 1 – June 30th to limit the disturbance to the osprey and their young. Wood duck boxes are mounted throughout to encourage the use by the species for nesting. In addition to the habitat the impoundment provides, the surrounding food plots and fruit trees at Shaggers Inn attract other wildlife including deer, turkey and bear. Visitors can continue their outing onto state forest roads for a scenic drive through the Quehanna Wild Area or continue further north to view the native elk in Benezette, PA.

BOATING

Non-motorized boating is permitted on the 27-acre Shaggers Inn impoundment except from April 1st – June 30th because of osprey nesting. All motorized boats are

prohibited and Fish and Boat Commission Rules and Regulations apply.

CAMPING

Limited motorized camping sites are available free of charge at the Shaggers Inn Camping Area. Although free of charge, users must obtain a camping permit prior to their arrival (See contact info listed below for a permit). Motorized camping is defined by overnight camping in or near the vehicle where the vehicle continues to be used for storage or transportation. A camping permit will be issued no more than 90 days in advance on a first come, first serve basis. The camping permit holder must notify the Forest District Office of any changes in their arrival or departure dates. The permit holder must occupy the site listed on the camping permit within 24 hours of the arrival date listed on the Camping Permit.

ABOUT MOSHANNON STATE FOREST

The Moshannon Forest District derives its name from “Moss-hanne” meaning “moose stream” a Native American name given to a stream running through this district. The Moshannon State Forest includes a total area of 190,792 acres. It lies primarily in Clearfield, Elk, and Centre Counties with small acreages in Cameron and Clinton Counties. Moshannon is part of Pennsylvania's extensive 2.2 million-acre state forest system managed by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Bureau of Forestry. Twenty state forests are located in 50 of the commonwealth's 67 counties and comprise 13 percent of Pennsylvania's total forest land.

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