

<p style="text-align: center;">PENNSYLVANIA IMPORTANT MAMMAL AREA #28 Ricketts Glen State Park/SGL 57, 13, 66</p>

COUNTY(IES) Sullivan, Columbia, Luzerne, Wyoming

APPROX. SIZE 652 acres

OWNERSHIP Public (State)

REASON FOR SELECTION

- Sustains a confirmed viable local population of a Species of Greatest Conservation Need and the species or subspecies regularly occurs at the site during one or more seasons

DESCRIPTION

Located north of Bloomsburg, the Ricketts Glen area includes old growth hemlock-white pine forests, swamps and other wetlands, and rocky stream habitats with an extensive series of waterfalls.

MAMMAL NOTES

Fishers and northern river otters both occur here (fishers were reintroduced in SGL 57). Snowshoe hares are said to inhabit the area, and both northern water shrews as and northern flying squirrels are very likely to be found here (area needs to be surveyed).

CONSERVATION NOTES

Includes two IBAs (# 48-Dutch Mountain Wetlands and #49 Ricketts Glen State Park-Creveling Lake Area), with inhabitants that include bald eagles, osprey, American bitterns, and concentrations of forest interior species.