

# Sinnemahoning State Park - Visitor Facility

## **Cameron County, Pennsylvania**

Project Type: New Visitor Center  
Completion: 2007  
Cost: \$3,782,000  
Owner: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania's northern tier counties may not be heavily populated but they contain incredible natural beauty, stunning wildlife and endless recreation resources. Governor Rendell and the state administration have put forth an initiative to take advantage of those resources and stimulate tourism to this underutilized part of the state.

The PA Wilds initiative looks to market the wildlife and natural resources of northern Pennsylvania. The program will invest in existing state parks and fund three new visitor centers & interpretive facilities.

Sinnemahoning State Park sits directly in the middle of Pennsylvania's Wilds 12 county area. The new facility will include a large exhibit / interpretive area, classrooms, visitor services and park administration. The building is placed carefully to take full advantage of views to nearby Elk herd feeding plots. This park represents some of PA's pristine wilderness and the project is design to tread lightly.

The project will utilize geothermal HVAC systems, both passive and active solar heating, a photovoltaic array to generate electric, and a green vegetative roof to reduce heating and cooling loads. The project is aiming for LEED Silver or Platinum rating.

