

FORT INDIANTOWN GAP

Fort Indiantown Gap (FIG) National Guard Training Center is one of the busiest National Guard training sites in the country with over 100,000 troops training there annually.

Home to the headquarters of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard—the nation's second largest National Guard—FIG is a world-class, commander-centric, combat-focused installation that supports active duty and reserve unit training across all the Services.

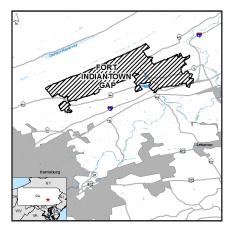


FIG is home to the Eastern Army Aviation Training Site, which provides a combination of virtual simulations and hands-on experience in an array of procedural training areas, aircraft qualifications, and instructional training on utility and cargo helicopters to aviators. Aircraft stationed at FIG's airfield execute the largest Flying Hours Program in the Army National Guard, averaging over 9,000 flight hours annually, making it one of the Army's busiest heliports. FIG also provides ground training support ranging from individual warrior tasks to brigade-level collective

training exercises. The installation hosts multiple military equipment maintenance facilities, artillery exercises, and a live-fire air-to-ground training range.

Much of the land buffering FIG and underneath its aviation training areas is agricultural, forested, or wetlands located within the Kittatinny Ridge, an important migratory bird route and habitat for a variety of rare neo-tropical birds such as the cerulean and golden-winged warblers, and the threatened northern long-eared bat. Maintaining forested and undeveloped areas in and around FIG helps minimize noise and night-lightning conflicts, and provides high quality drinking water for multiple communities in the Susquehanna River watershed.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY

- Protects working agricultural and forest lands that benefit the local economy
- Supports recreational activities such as hunting, trapping, and fishing

MILITARY

- Protects high-noise live-fire training, including small arms and artillery firing
- Protects ground maneuver capabilities
- Supports aviation activities such as aerial gunnery, bombing, and maneuver training





Fort Indiantown Gap hosts multiple groundbased training activities such as joint armored war fighting exercises (top), and multiple aviation-related training activities (bottom).

KEY PARTNERS

- Audubon Pennsylvania
- Appalachian Trail Conservancy
- Ever Green Team
- Lebanon County Conservation District/Farm Preservation Board
- Pennsylvania Armory Board/Commonwealth of Pennysylvania
- Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development
- Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission
- Pennsylvania Game Commission
- The Appalachian Trail Conservancy
- The Conservation Fund
- The Kittatinny Ridge Coalition
- The Lebanon Valley Conservancy
- The Manada Conservancy
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Ward Burton Wildlife Foundation
- Trout Unlimited
- U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service

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FAST FACTS FROM FY 2014 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress

Authority	Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	22	9,505	\$46.3 million

Subtotals may not sum to combined totals due to rounding