

What Does It Mean to Have Horse Trails on Pittman-Robertson Funded Land?

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Land managed under Pittman-Robertson (P-R) funding offers challenges to recreational horseback riders. Before getting specific about trails, it is necessary to understand P-R itself.

P-R Funding: Funds generated by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act of 1937, commonly called Pittman-Robertson Act (P-R), have been used to assist individual states in the purchase of substantial amounts of land to be held in public trust for wildlife restoration. In recent years, equestrians have advanced the argument that as those lands are a part of the public trust, they should be available for other recreational uses, particularly recreational trail horse use, in addition to recreational hunting and related sports.

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