# **LOCATION & TRANSPORTATION**

## MONROE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANNIA



Monroe County covers 609 square miles in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Partially bordered by the Blue Mountains, the Delaware River, and the Lehigh River; Monroe County is the heart of the Pocono Mountains and home to some of Pennsylvania's most beautiful natural areas. Our county's rural nature and status as a world-class tourism destination serves as catalysts to an excellent business environment.

In addition to an attractive climate for tourism and recreation, Monroe County businesses have easy access to the Northeastern marketplace using I-80, I-380, and the Interstate highway system. Businesses can easily reach their customers using our excellent transportation system since the county is only 45 miles from Allentown, 75 miles from NYC, and 85 miles from Philadelphia.

#### Air

Air travel alternatives for people in Monroe County are surprisingly abundant. Both the Lehigh Valley International Airport and the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport are located within 30 minutes of the county.

The Pocono Mountains Municipal Airport is directly adjacent to the Arcadia North Business Park and across the street from the Pocono Mountains Corporate Center East. The runway was recently extended to 5,001 feet to accommodate larger aircraft and significant improvements have been made to hangars and main building. A 24-hour weather hotline is available to pilots, along with 24-hour, self-service 100 LL fuel.

### **Highways**

Interstate 80 provides direct East-West access for Monroe County businesses; while I-380 connects I-80 and I-84. The terminus of State Route 33 in Bartonsville, where it meets I-80 is just 30 minutes from I-78 and State Route 22 in the Lehigh Valley.

Monroe County's central location allows for easy access to regional, national and international markets. Cost effective access by truck is available from sources including FedEx Freight in Pocono Summit and a number of other common carriers also serve the region. Call **1-800-GOFEDEX** for FedEx Freight services.

#### Rail

The Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority is a regional rail authority which owns 95 miles of active rail lines in Lackawanna, Wayne, Monroe and Northampton Counties in northeastern Pennsylvania. Our designated regional rail operator, the Delaware-Lackawanna Railroad Co., Inc. (DLRR) provides common carrier rail freight service to over 25 active rail industries that ship or receive over 7,000 carloads per year. The greatest advantage of our 95 mile rail system is the ability of any of our rail-using industries to have two Class I rail connections, the Norfolk Southern Railroad and Canadian Pacific Railway. Since the DLRR directly interchanges with both of these Class I rail carriers, our rail users have a competitive advantage in obtaining rates and services.

If you have questions about locating your business or industry along our rail lines, or any need for rail shipping or receiving, contact Larry C. Malski, Esq., President of the Pennsylvania Northeast Regional Railroad Authority:

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Lehigh Valley International Airport (800) 359-5842 or www.lvia.org

Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport (877) 2FLYAVP or www.flyavp.com





