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<b>Observing Bald Eagles at Nest Sites</b>		
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**1. Purpose and Scope:** In 2007, the bald eagle was removed from protection under the Endangered Species Act, but remains federally protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. Prior guidance in this SOP was based on consultations under the Endangered Species Act. That guidance is now replaced by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recommendations that can be found National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines (<https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/managed-species/eagle-management.php>). Consult Michael K. Hennessey or Kai Caraher of the PPQ Environmental Compliance Team when eagles are a concern for a Program.