

Department of Conservation and  
Natural Resources - Bureau of Forestry  
Tuscarora State Forest Perry Co. PA  
in partnership with the W. Virginia Univ.

Wildlife  
Photos



# These photos were taken as part of a WVU Golden Eagle Migration Study

- Eastern Population Densities of Golden Eagles (GE)
- Genetic Differences with Western Populations of GE
- GE Migratory Routes to Avoid Wind Energy Conflicts



Camera traps were set up and baited with road-killed deer.

Stealth Cam

040 F

02-11-2011 10:08:12



The white-tailed deer attracted many carnivores through the winter months



Stealth Cam

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02-26-2011 08:49:42



# Eagles

## Bald vs. Golden



# Golden Eagle

The Largest Bird of Prey in North America



Stealth Cam

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03-08-2011 13:39:18



Wingspan = 33-38 inches



3/02/2011 9:17 AM



Weight = 6-15 lbs.



3/02/2011 3:56 PM



# Dark brown body -Golden head



Stealth Cam

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02-08-2011 09:18:56





What  
a set  
of  
talons!

# Protection Status

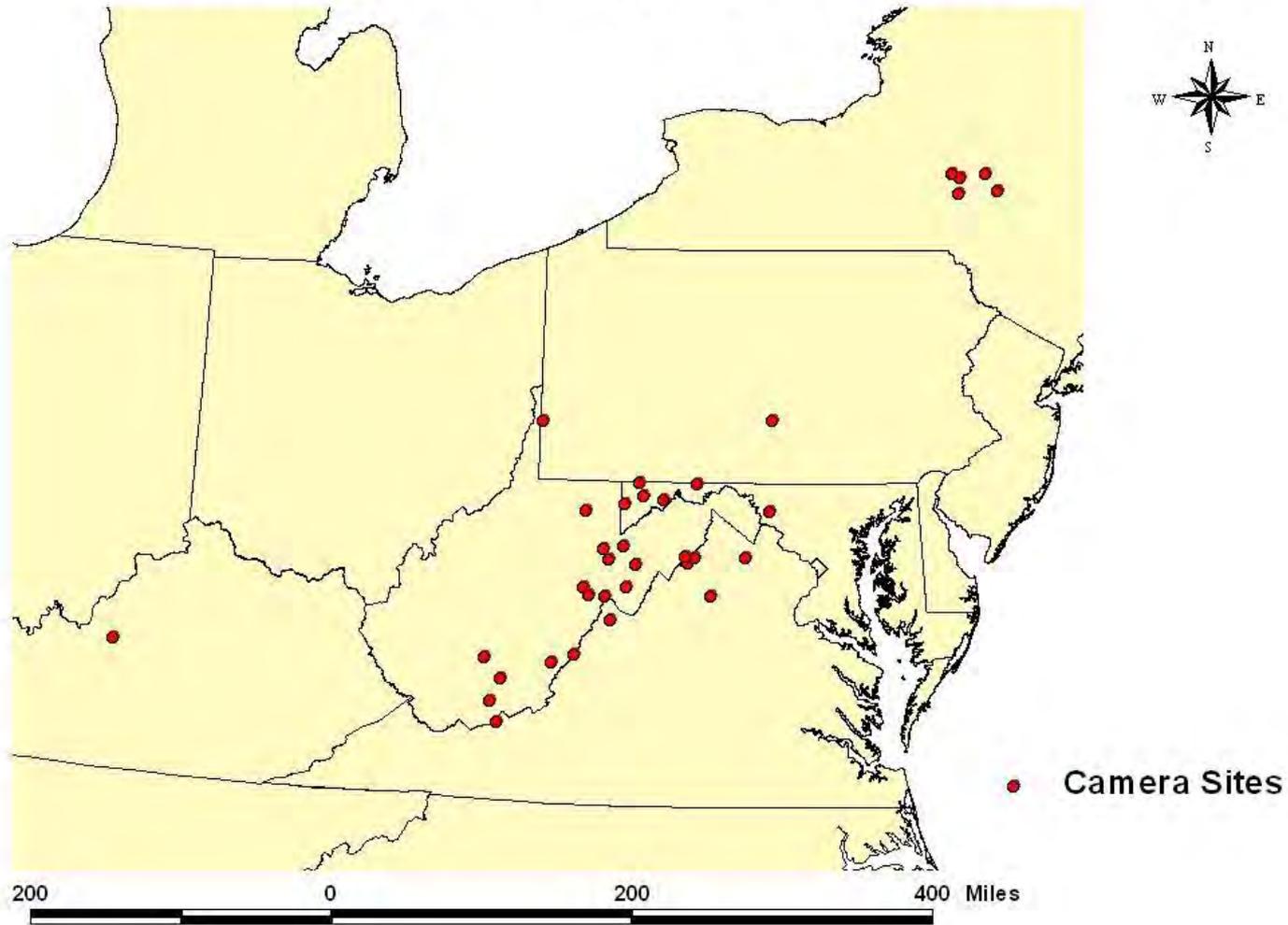
- Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act
- Enacted 1940 and Amended Since
- \$100,000 fine/Up to 1 Yr Imprisonment for a 1<sup>st</sup> offense.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Offense=Felony and Higher Penalties
- Currently Protected but not Listed as Threatened or Endangered

# Eastern Population

- Estimated to be 1000 to 2000 Birds
- Summer and Breed in Northern Canada
- Migrate to the United States and Winter in NE States and Southern Appalachians

# Camera Traps

## Golden Eagle Bait Trapping Sites - Winter 2011



# Habitat/Location

- Small Clearings with Large Trees Nearby
- 30-60 ft Diameter will Work
- Isolated, Unvisited, Forested Hilltop
- Accessible for Maintenance in Winter

# Wildlife Observed

- Crow
- Raven
- Red-tailed Hawk
- Golden Eagle
- Immature Bald Eagle
- Mature Bald Eagle
- Turkey Vulture
- Wild Turkey
- Coyote
- Gray Fox
- Raccoon
- Fisher
- Bobcat
- Porcupine
- Fox squirrel
- White-tailed Deer

# Bald Eagle













Red-tailed hawk



3/07/2011 10:51 AM



# Bobcat under the cover of darkness



Bobcats have tufts of fur on either side of their face



A bobcat showed up more often than the fox or coyote





Stealth Cam

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02-04-2011 00:22:19





Stealth Cam

018 F

02-05-2011 00:22:05



Stealth Cam

062 F

03-07-2011 14:19:57





3/07/2011 10:51 AM



# Grey fox



Stealth Cam

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02-09-2011 20:59:22



# Grey fox visited several times



Stealth Cam

021 F

02-07-2011 04:02:14



# Coyotes are extremely wary



Stealth Cam

042 F

02-09-2011 13:07:00



# Even a Fox Squirrel showed up



Stealth Cam

035 F

02-10-2011 14:13:41





Stealth Cam

016 F

01-21-2011 08:08:59



# Fisher – a newcomer to the Tuscarora State Forest



Stealth Cam

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01-22-2011 06:20:24





Stealth Cam

020 F

02-02-2011 21:09:20





Stealth Cam

020 F

02-02-2011 21:54:48





Stealth Cam

018 F

02-02-2011 21:05:51





Stealth Cam

030 F

02-01-2011 12:20:34





Two red-tailed hawks squabble over feeding rights.

Stealth Cam

027 F

01-30-2011 14:37:44





Stealth Cam

027 F

01-30-2011 14:34:01





Stealth Cam

031 F

01-30-2011 12:45:11





Stealth Cam

042 F

01-28-2011 13:48:36





Stealth Cam

018 F

02-21-2011 18:17:27





Stealth Cam

029 F

02-26-2011 18:56:08









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