



A pair of bald eagles is nesting in our neighborhood!

The NJ Endangered and Nongame Species Program monitors and protects this pair of nesting eagles. It is very exciting to have a pair of bald eagles nesting in our neighborhood. Not only are they beautiful birds, they are also good indicators of the health of New Jersey's environment. Bald eagles are a federally protected species and are listed as endangered in New Jersey. We are inviting your help to protect this pair so that they will have a successful nesting season.

Eagles begin courtship and nest building in early January. Pairs lay 1 - 3 eggs in mid-February to early March, and incubate for about 35 days. Upon hatching, the chicks are helpless and require close parental care. After about five weeks, the young birds begin to stand up and feed themselves when the adults deliver food. Young birds leave the nest around 11 weeks of age in early July. Adults continue to feed young near the nest for up to two months while the young learn to fly and hunt.

In spring/early summer it is very important to stay away from the nest.

Eagles are very sensitive to human disturbance and will abandon their nest sites if people encroach on the area during the nesting season. [Kayaking or boating within 1000' the nest may cause the young to leave the nest before they can fly causing injury and possible death.](#) Disturbing the eagles is a violation of both state and federal laws and violators can be prosecuted. We are asking you to help prevent disturbance.

Please report any disturbance you see at or near the nest.

We can all work together to make this a successful nesting season for the eagles!
Thank you for your help and cooperation.



To report disturbance to the eagles
Please call: **877-WARN-DEP**
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