



2011 Accomplishments (Sullivan County)

- Recruited and trained additional volunteers to staff public viewing sites to provide interpretive information to eagle watching visitors. Provided refresher information to returning volunteers. Purchased and provided equipment to volunteers.
- Staffed viewing locations in Forestburgh, Highland and Narrowsburg on weekends and assisted eagle watchers at each location.
- Planned, publicized and delivered three guided eagle habitat excursions.
- Provided weekday assistance to group visitors.
- Assisted and participated in the Annual EagleFest in Narrowsburg with educational information, on-site eagle watching assistance and publicity.
- Implemented and publicized our two web-based data reporting programs: the Eagle Forum and the Kitchen Counters. Both of these have resulted in increased awareness, public participation and increased stewardship. Continuous maintenance and updating of web site so that we can provide timely and accurate information about eagles and eagle watching opportunities. We have found that these features *have become increasingly popular and effective at dispensing and providing the information that visitors need and are seeking, with some posts receiving hundreds of hits each week!*
- Researched interpretive component of 3-year eagle habitat assessment study with National Park Service and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. This information will be provided to visitors as well as residents and local officials responsible for land management decisions.
- Training for additional volunteers as nest monitors (various locations in Sullivan County NY and at the BashaKill WMA, Sullivan County, NY) to collect data about breeding eagles in these locations and to assist visitors at well-publicized nest viewing locations (BashaKill).
- Worked with NYS DEC to make improvements at the observation blind at Rio Reservoir, including safer visitor access and interpretive exhibits. The new interpretive exhibits were well received as evidenced by visitor comment and really helped provide educational information to the eagle watcher.

- Provided materials, handouts and information.
- We are prepared to continue to respond to requests for information (mostly web-based), to monitor the Kitchen Counters and Eagle Forum public reporting venues, and to provide speakers for events and service organizations (ie: volunteers/administrative assistant scheduled).
- Assisted Town of Highland with ecotourism component of its Comprehensive Master Plan.
- Provided support to Sullivan County Visitors Association as requested for information about eagle watching opportunities and media requests and opportunities.



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Eagle Data Report, 2011

| Location | Number of Visitors Intercepted |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Delaware River at Narrowsburg | 11 |
| Delaware River at Narrowsburg EagleFest (01/17/11) | |
| Delaware River at Lackawaxen | 500 |
| Delaware River at Minisink Ford | 2,011 |
| Winter Field Office at Lackawaxen* | N/A |
| Mongaup Reservoirs | 790 |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERCEPTIONS | 675 |
| *see below for analysis of field office visitation | 3,987 |

Volunteer Hours Report, 2011

| ACTIVITY | NUMBER OF HOURS |
|----------|-----------------|
| I&E | 1,432 |
| ADMIN | 748 |
| TOTAL | 2,180 |

Winter Field Office, Analysis of Visitation

| PA | WHERE DO THEY COME FROM? | | | |
|-----------|--------------------------|----------|--------|------------|
| | NY | NJ | OTHER | TOTAL |
| 423 (53%) | 164 (21%) | 162(21%) | 41(5%) | 790 (100%) |

| TYPE | HOW DO THEY LEARN OF EAGLES/EAGLE INSTITUTE? |
|--------------------------------|--|
| | % OF TOTAL |
| Repeat Visitor | 19.5% |
| Website | 14.3% |
| Newspaper | 7.8% |
| Local | 6.2% |
| With a Group | 4.8% |
| Friend (word of mouth) | 4.4% |
| Sign | 3.5% |
| Local Business (word of mouth) | 3.2% |
| EagleFest | 1.9% |
| Volunteers | 1.9% |
| Unknown/Other | 32.5% |

2011 VISITATION BY LOCATION
TOTAL: 3,987

