

Appendix 4: Operator Awareness Sheet

Consistent with the BCTS Environmental Field Procedures (EFPs 01 -08):

Stop work and contact (report to) your project supervisor and the BCTS representative if any of the following features are found and previously unidentified.

Do not disturb the feature, document the location and take photos if possible.

BCTS Licensees / Permittees / Road Contractors:

Consistent with the TSL clauses and BCTS Advisory Bulletin No. 2015/09/22 "Having a Plan":

- Licensees are responsible for ensuring all their operations are in accordance with the BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan, and all relevant legislation.
- Licensees may have the responsibility to change the plan and are advised to consult a Qualified Professional.
- Additional information on how BCTS identifies & manages these features is available *upon request*.

Bald Eagle (Nest)



Legal Reference: Wildlife Act–Section 34(b)

Great Blue Heron

(Nest/Colony/Rookery)



Legal Reference: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan; Wildlife Act—Section 34(b); Species at Risk Act (Special Concern); Migratory Birds Regulation sec. 5, Schedule 1.

Barn Swallow (Nest)





Legal Reference: Species at Risk Act (Threatened), Migratory Birds Regulation sec. 5, Wildlife Act— Section 34(a), (c), BC Yellow-list

Osprey (Nest)





Legal Reference: Wildlife Act-Section 34(a), (b), BC Yellow-list

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Pileated Woodpecker (Nesting Cavity)

One Nesting Cavity per tree: smooth edges





Feeding excavations: multiple per tree



Legal Reference: Wildlife Act–Section 34(a), (c); Migratory Birds Regulation sec. 5, Schedule 1.

Northern Goshawk (Bird, Nest or signs of activity)

Large stick nests (~2ft in diameter), ~2/3 up dominant trees, near upper bole of tree



Any signs of egg fragments on ground, feathers, down, bones, whitewash under nest site or separate 'plucking' posts



Any signs of a hawk, chicks or calls from raptors





Legal Reference: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan; Wildlife Act—Section 34(a), (c); BC Red-List; BC Identified Wildlife, Species at Risk Act (Threatened).

Western Screech-Owl (Nest)





Legal Reference: Wildlife Act—Section 34(a), (c); BC Blue-list; Species at Risk Act (Threatened)

Sandhill Crane (Bird)



Legal Reference: BC Yellow-list; BC Identified Wildlife, Migratory Birds Regulation sec. 5,

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Black Bear and Grizzly Bear (Den)









Legal Reference: Black Bear and Grizzly Bear: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan, Great Bear Rainforest Order. Grizzly Bear: BC Blue-list, Species at Risk Act (Special Concern), BC Identified Wildlife. Black Bear: BC Yellow-list.



Little Brown Myotis (Bat)

<u>Guidance:</u> In <u>summer</u> notify BCTS of any sites with bat groupings. In <u>winter</u> notify BCTS of *any* bats discovered.

Legal Reference: BC Blue-list; Species at Risk Act (Endangered)

Vancouver Island Marmot (Marmot or Burrow)



(Vancouver Island only)

Legal Reference: BC Red-list (Endangered or threatened); Wildlife Act (Endangered); BC Identified Wildlife; Species at Risk Act (Endangered)



Mountain Goat (Goats)

Legal Reference: BC Blue-list, BC Identified Wildlife

Western Water Shrew (Shrew)



(Vancouver Island only)

Legal Reference: BC Blue-list

Pacific (Coastal) Tailed Frog

(Mainland Only)





Legal Reference: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan; BC Identified Wildlife; BC Yellow-list, Species at Risk Act (Special Concern).

Western Toad [Frogs, egg masses, tadpoles]





Legal Reference: BC Yellow-list; Species at Risk Act (Special Concern).

Northern Red-Legged Frog (Frogs [February to May], egg masses, tadpoles)







Legal Reference: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan; BC Blue-list; Species at Risk Act (Special Concern).

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Cryptic Paw (Nephroma occultum) [Lichen]







Legal Reference: BC Blue-list.

Features not addressed in this guide:

The following is paraphrased, see legislation for official wording

Other Birds:

It is an offence to harm a bird or its egg, or any nest *occupied* by a bird or its egg (Wildlife Act s. 34), and to disturb, destroy or take a nest or egg of, or possess a migratory bird (Migratory Birds Regulation s. 6).

Other Animals:

It is an offence to wound or kill wildlife unless subject to a hunting license (Wildlife Act).