



**BCTS**  
BC Timber Sales

## Species of Management Concern

### 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.*

## American 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



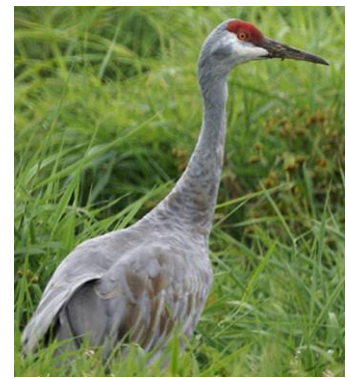
*Legal Reference: BCTS Seaward (tlasta) Forest Stewardship Plan; Wildlife Act—Section 34(a), (c); BC Red- List; BC Identified Wildlife, Species at Risk Act (Threatened).*

## 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)

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

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

### Vancouver Island Marmot (Marmot or Burrow)



*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)



*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).