

Wayne National Forest

Administrative Correction # 3 Delisting of Bald Eagle

Administrative corrections are defined at 36 CFR 219.7(b) (2008 Planning Rule) and may be made at any time and are not plan amendments or revisions, and do not require public notice or the preparation of an environmental document under Forest Service NEPA procedures.

Administrative corrections include the following:

1. Corrections and updates of data and maps;
2. Corrections of typographical errors or other non-substantive changes;
3. Changes in the monitoring program and monitoring information (§ 219.6(b));
4. Changes in timber management projections or other projections of uses or activities; and
5. Other changes in the plan document or set of documents that are not substantive changes in the plan components

The Wayne NF 2006 Forest Plan, which was implemented in March 2006, covered the management of the bald eagle as a federally listed Threatened and Endangered Species. On August 8, 2007 the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, removed (delisted) the bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) in the lower 48 States of the United States from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife due to the successful recovery of the species. This change in status makes some of the information in the Forest Plan no longer accurate. Since this change in listing status is a legal process by the federal agency charged with oversight of the ESA program, the change in status is not a Forest Service decision.

The bald eagle continues to be protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. These Acts require some measures to continue to prevent bald eagle "take" resulting from human activities. The bald eagle will be on the Regional Forester's Sensitive Species list for at least the next five years (FSM 2670, R9 RO Supplement 2600-2000-1). Because of this, the protections in the 2006 Forest Plan will remain, but be moved from the Threatened and Endangered Species section to the Regional Forester Sensitive Species section of the Plan.

These changes are considered updates to data under the administrative corrections direction.

Changes to the **2006 Forest Plan** as a result of this delisting the bald eagle are shown in the following table.

Page	Location of Information	Change
TOC-3	Table of Contents	Change TOC to show new page location of information.
2-19	Goal 5.1.2 and Objective 5.1.2a	Change to Goal 5.2.1 and Objective 5.2.1a
2-21 – 2-24	SFW-TES-15 thru SFW-TES-20	Change to SWF-TES-37 thru SWF-TES-42 and add Note on 2-24
4-9	Monitoring Plan for Goal 5.1.2 and Objective 5.1.2a	Change to Goal 5.2.1 and Objective 5.2.1a
D-2	T&E Species List	Drop bald eagle off this list.
D-4	Second bullet on page.	Delete bald eagle from list behind this bullet.
D-13 – D-14	Conservation Plan for Bald Eagle	Move the sections on these pages that relate to bald eagle to the end of the Conservation Plan under the Regional Forester Sensitive Species section page D-18 through D-20.
H-8	Oil and Gas well Stipulation # 12	Move paragraph on bald eagle from Stipulation # 12 to Stipulation # 13.

Copies of the corrected pages are attached.

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