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Special Closure: Bald Eagle Nesting

A special closure went into effect on Friday, June 6, to protect a bald eagle nesting territory in the vicinity of Little Grass Valley Reservoir, 50 miles northeast of Oroville in Plumas County. The closure has been in effect for the past 15 years and has helped a bald eagle pair to successfully nest and raise young, contributing to the sustained recovery for this species. Bald eagles are particularly sensitive to disturbances during their nesting phase. The birds, recently delisted under the Endangered Species Act, are still protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

The closure area includes the north loops of the Wyandotte Campground (accessed by roads 22N57YA & B), on the southern section of the reservoir. The closure will be in effect until August 31, 2008.

For more information, please contact Cindy Roberts, Feather River Ranger District, (530) 532-7467. This press release and corresponding Forest Order 02-08 with map are posted on the Plumas National Forest website: www.fs.fed.us/r5/plumas

Key Point:

- 1) Bald eagle nesting zone closure near Little Grass Valley Reservoir effective June 6, 2008, until August 31, 2008.**
- 2) Map and Forest Order are posted on the Plumas National Forest website, www.fs.fed.us/r5/plumas**

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