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Americans have a long history of caring about our rich and diverse wildlife resources. But when landowners find an endangered species on their property, their feelings are likely to be mixed. Most property owners want to conserve unique organisms if they can, and they take pride in the fact that their land supports rare wildlife. Yet, most property owners have an understandable concern about how the presence of a protected species may affect the land's potential uses. In recent years, the Fish and Wildlife Service has been emphasizing conservation approaches designed to minimize the impacts on landowners and offer them incentives for protecting important habitat. This edition of the Bulletin highlights some examples of such new partnerships to conserve endangered species.



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Rancher Jim Weaver of New Mexico, a standard-bearer for the High Plains Partnership, is shown here with a trained hunting falcon, a peregrine (*Falco peregrinus*)/gyrfalcon (*Falco rusticolus*) cross. Co-founder of the Peregrine Fund while he was a researcher at Cornell University in New York, Mr. Weaver was a leader in the captive-breeding program that was key to the recovery of the once-endangered peregrine falcon.

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