



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT A FEDERAL PERMIT FOR TAKE OF GOLDEN EAGLE NESTS DURING RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT OR RECOVERY

A Federal permit to take golden eagle nests is available only to parties engaged in a resource development or recovery operation and only when nests are inactive. An inactive nest is one that is not currently used by golden eagles as determined by the absence of any adult, egg, or dependent young at the nest during the 10 days before the nest is taken.

For information on the take (removal, destruction, and/or relocation) of a golden eagle nest for reasons other than resource development or take of a bald eagle nest for any reason, please see our Eagle Nest Take Application Form (<https://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-72.pdf>) and associated FAQ available at: <https://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/pdf/policies-and-regulations/3-200-72FAQ.pdf>

You should review Title 50 parts 10, 13 and 22.25 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) with your application. You are responsible for reviewing and understanding these regulations before you request and accept a permit. These regulations are on our website at: <https://www.fws.gov/birds/policies-and-regulations/permits/permit-policies-and-regulations.php>.

We recommend you contact your regional [Migratory Bird Program Permit Office](#) prior to submitting this form.