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Dear Lois:

Nesting surveys were quite delayed by the rainy weather but here is a quick rundown on the status of nest sites of interest to you and the park. Please pass the information along to Carroll Schell.

Nest 25A (Tremont): Unoccupied - only a small remnant of the old nest.

Nest 25B (Bass Harbor Marsh): Unoccupied - nest tree somewhat damaged and only a few sticks remaining of the old nest.

Nest 25C (Southwest Harbor): Unoccupied - nest most recently used in this territory is now beginning to deteriorate. I am afraid we have lost the eagles in Territory 25.

Nest 26A (Bar Island): Ospreys occupying the former eagle nest. Eagles now using a site on private land near Somes Pond.

Nest 28B (Northeast Creek - I): Active - 1 adult incubating. This is the nest the birds have always used near the center of the "island".

Nest 28C (Northeast Creek - II): Unoccupied - only a remnant of the never-completed nest near the western end of the "island".

Nest 37A (Preble Island - I): Ospreys occupying the former eagle nest. Eagles were at this site (although not breeding in 1982), but we could not account for the pair this year.

Nest 37B (Preble Island - II): Ospreys have rebuilt a nest in the same tree which formerly had an eagle nest.

Nest 41A (Bald Porcupine Island): Site occupied by 1 adult, not actively nesting. It is conceivable that this was an active site earlier but the nesting attempt failed. (Our survey timing was not optimal.) The nest was active and successfully fledged 1 eaglet in 1982).

Territory 40 (Burnt and Long Porcupine Islands): No eagle activity observed although 3 different eagle nests were found along the S shore of Long Porcupine near the W end. One nest looks to be newly built which may again imply that the birds were there earlier but have already failed.

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Nest 122A (Jordan Island): Active - 1 adult incubating. The nest was active, but unsuccessful in 1982.

Please advise of any information concerning disturbance near the Porcupine Islands. Both territories have been successful in the last 3 years. I am sure The Nature Conservancy (contact Karen Gustafson) would desire any input on potential problems at Long Porcupine Island.

Enclosed are the posters for use at Northeast Creek. The map and photos enclosed are my suggestions for appropriate placement. Harry Owen is the local watchdog for this pair of eagles and I'm sure could make some suggestions on sign placement. The birds have probably already hatched if they are going to. Do not try to approach if Mr. Owen feels that the pair has not yet hatched or on a cool or rainy day since the adults may fly off and leave young chicks exposed while you are visible to them.

Please keep me advised.

Sincerely,

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