



Protection of Nesting Birds of Prey

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What Areas are Affected?

Birds of prey have reoccupied their traditional territories and are incubating eggs. Some areas that have been occupied in the past are not occupied this year and advisories have been lifted, and new areas have been chosen by falcons for nesting and are now listed. If you have been familiar with the advisories in past years, please keep in mind that there have been many changes.

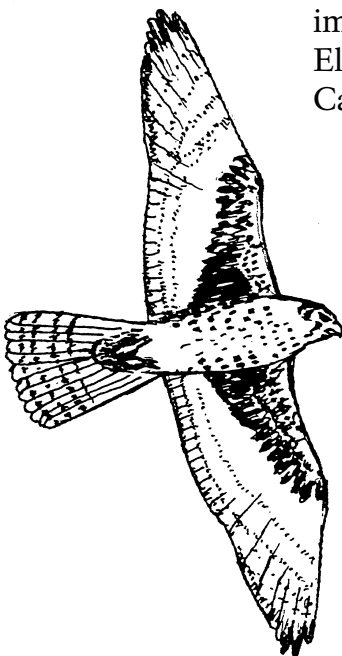
To maximize the potential of successful nest establishment, Pinnacles National Monument requests that all visitors refrain from **rock climbing and off-trail hiking** in the identified sensitive areas.

These protective measures will remain in effect until June or July. Please check with a ranger or carefully examine the Climbing Information Bulletin Board as you plan your climbing and hiking trips.

Advisory for Climbers and Off-trail Hikers

This advisory does not affect hiking along the Monument's primary trail system. All designated trails will remain fully accessible by park visitors. Climbers should continue to use designated "Climber Access Routes" in all areas of the Monument. Special care is requested for those areas most heavily impacted by climbing: Discovery Wall, Elephant Rock, Machete, Upper Crust, the Camel, and the Sisters.

Please remember that **intentionally disturbing wildlife nesting, breeding, and other activities is a violation of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations (Section 2.2 (a) (2)).**



The Raptor Advisory System has been in effect since 1988. We would like to thank you for your assistance in protecting these magnificent birds. By coming to Pinnacles and following these recommendations, you become a partner in managing the Monument's resources. You are a vital component to the success of maintaining raptors. Without your cooperation, park staff could not protect the natural resources. You help make Pinnacles a special place.
