**Raptor Nest Condition Assessment Form**

***THIS FORM IS FOR USE OUTSIDE OF THE EAGLE MANAGEMENT CONSTRAINT PERIOD ONLY.***

* This form is only to be used for nest condition assessments and **not for nest activity checks**. For nest activity checks use the FPA’s *Raptor Nest Activity Check Form*.
* Nest condition assessments can be undertaken from the ground or using Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) or using a rotor-wing aircraft (helicopter).
* When using UAV (drones) to conduct nest condition assessments flights must only be conducted between April and June.
* This form can be submitted via the Raptor Notifications Database as supplementary information for advice requests.

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| **Nest Number:** | | **Date:** | | |
| **Observer Name(s) and Contact Details:**  **Pilot name (if using UAV) and Contact Details:** | | **Nest Location Name:** | | |
| **Grid Reference of Nest (from database):**  Easting:.…………………….………….….………….………. (6) | Northing:……………….………………………………………… (7) | | | | |
| **Were any of these observed on the nest? (Each box MUST be marked Yes/No or Not Assessed)** | | | | |
| Green leaves |  | | Nest partly/mostly bleached |  |
| Fresh (brown) sticks |  | | Down on/around nest |  |
| White wash (droppings) |  | | Nest partly/mostly bleached |  |
| Flat compressed nest top |  | | Nest condition (circle) poor average good excellent | |
| Nest Bowl (concave nest platform) |  | | Prey remains |  |
| Brown leaves on nest |  | | Eagle nearby nest (note age if possible) |  |
| Down on/around nest |  | | Old egg on or egg fragments nest |  |
| **Nest Description: (Provide any further comments relating to what was observed)** | | | | |
| **Bird Activity Observed:** (Describe what was observed e.g. Two birds soaring over the nest, bird carrying sticks)  *Note: Be specific in your description. Comments such as “nest untidy” (common to all nests) provide little detail* | | | | |
| **Tick box if the nest has no vantage points or you believe nest cannot be accurately assessed.** | | | |  |
| **Will you submit this data to the Natural Values Atlas? (circle). If NO, the FPA will submit this information to the NVA.** | | | | **YES** |
| **NO** |

# Echo and Gunns Private Search ReportFlat Top Nest - Chris BondBS104D_Nest #1213.JPGAppendix 1. wte_a013Nest attributes to consider during nest condition assessments

**Nest with compressed flat top**

(Flat from chick moving on top from past year)

**Nest bowl**

(Dished surface. Evident by chick sitting low in nest)

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**Brown leaves and whitewash**

(Obvious addition of leaves and whitewash)

**Nest has no vantage point**

(This nest cannot be assessed accurately)



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**Nest partly or mostly bleached**

(No brown sticks, green leaching present)

**Recently added green leaves**

(Recent addition of leaves and some whitewash)