**31 December** Wednesday

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7:30 Kurkow

Checked Snares - removed 4 .80

4 1/2 Caught [redacted] Outside of Scope

golden [illegible] accidental

12:00 lunch [redacted] Outside of Scope

11:00 [redacted] Outside of Scope

4:00 - finish

Evening

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Subject: Non-Target Eagle Capture.

Date: 1/14/2009

To: Dominic Domenici (USFWS)

On 12/31/2009 I captured a Golden Eagle in a neck snare on the (b)(6) in Carbon County. I believe this eagle was attracted to my snares by a non-target deer capture and also a target coyote capture in snares also. The eagle was snared approximately 20 yds from the target coyote capture and approximately 35-40 yds from the non-target deer capture. Upon finding this I immediately cut the cable off the eagle and deer leaving the lock, break-away and lower part of the snare attached to both. I then removed the coyote from the area and closed all the other snares in the area to prevent any possibility of capturing another non-target or target animal attracted by the eagle or deer.

Upon arriving home I tried to contact the nearest Game and Fish personnel and was unable to reach both Jason Hunter and Jordon Kraft. I did leave a message with Jordon on his cell phone to contact me. Jason Hunter contacted me approximately 2 days later and I informed him of the situation and he asked me where the specific location was so that he may retrieve the eagle. I told him and he said he knew where I was talking about and would go out there. I then went to check on my equipment at the site of the non-target eagle capture and found that it was still there on 1/06/2009. I then dragged the deer away from the area and reset my equipment that was placed outside of the immediate area. I left the eagle where it was did not reset the snares that had contained the non-target deer, target coyote or non-target eagle.

Within the next few days Jason Hunter called me back and said he was unable to find the location. I gave him directions again and said he knew where he had taken a wrong turn before and now was certain where it was. I check my equipment again on 1/12/2009 and the eagle was gone from the location and I guessed he had found it.

I have not had any communications with him since I last talked to him.

Sincerely,

Tracy Villwok
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Cc: Files
Craig Acres