

DELAWARE-OTSEGO AUDUBON SOCIETY, INC.

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Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary to the Commission NY State Public Service Commission Albany, NY April 5, 2019

RE:

Case No. 16-F-0559

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#### Secretary Burgess:

Please find attached maps of eagle flight paths on raptor surveys in the Bluestone Wind Project during March 2018, and February and March 2019, submitted on behalf of the Delaware-Otsego Audubon Soc. in the above referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,

Andrew Mason, Co-President Delaware-Otsego Audubon Soc.

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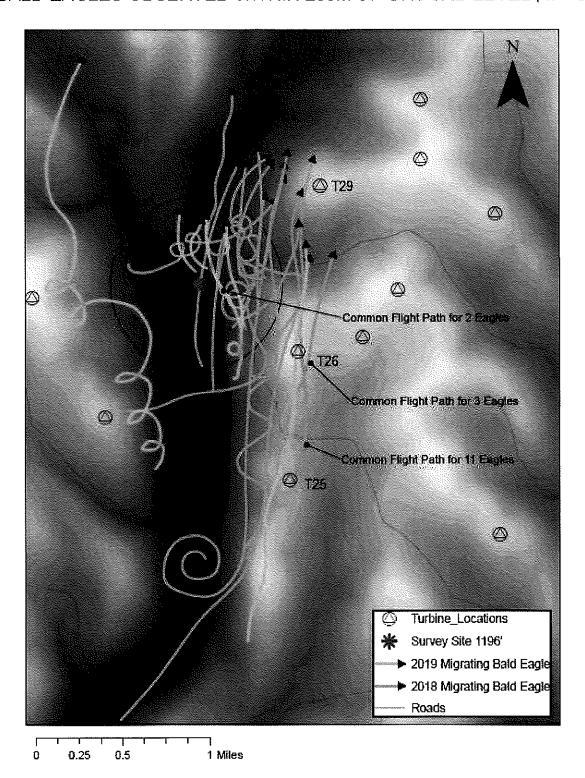
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This document contains maps that will be part of the Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society's formal report on raptor surveys in the Bluestone Wind Project during February and March 2019. Each map shows the flight paths of a completely different set of eagles, all within 200 meters of ground level. Flight paths for both the March 2018 and February-March 2019 field seasons are shown. The maps show additional use of the ridge east of the Hamlet of Sanford, raising additional concerns about turbines 25, 26 and 29.

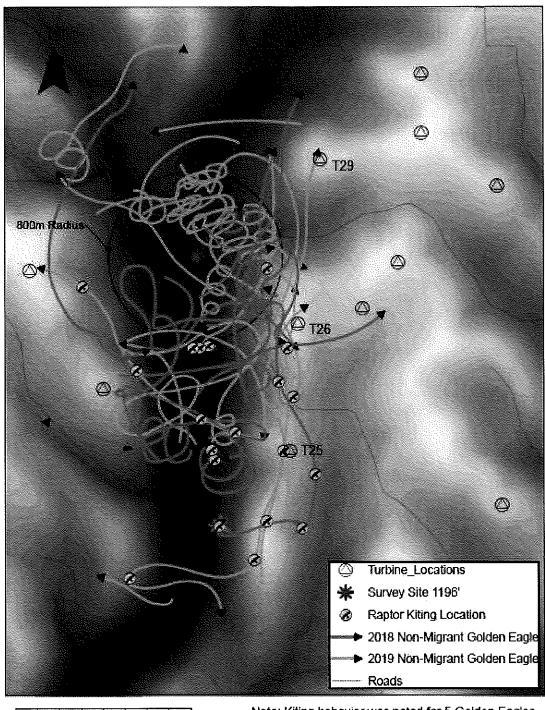
With the pace of proceedings, DOAS wants these maps available to all parties as soon as possible. A full report is in progress and will be submitted in the near future.

Andrew Mason, Co-President

## COMBINED 2018 & 2019 FLIGHT PATHS OF MIGRATING BALD EAGLES OBSERVED WITHIN 200m OF GROUND LEVEL , n = 36



## COMBINED 2018 & 2019 FLIGHT PATHS OF NON-MIGRANT GOLDEN EAGLES OBSERVED WITHIN 200m OF GROUND LEVEL, n = 29



0.25

0.5

Note: Kiting behavior was noted for 5 Golden Eagles
1 Miles during these surveys. Locations are mapped for 4
of those birds. Observer notes regarding the 5th bird
read: "1st winter bird observed actively hunting/kiting
around treetops for over 2 hours."

# COMBINED 2018 & 2019 FLIGHT PATHS OF MIGRATING GOLDEN EAGLES OBSERVED WITHIN 200m OF GROUND LEVEL, n = 21

