

What happened to a bald eagle?

A subsidiary of one of the largest U.S. providers of renewable energy pleaded guilty to criminal charges and was ordered to pay over \$8 million in fines and restitution after at least 150 bald eagles were killed at its wind farms in eight states, federal prosecutors said Wednesday.

How many bald eagles have been killed by wind?

A newly published study by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service researchers says that wind energy facilities have killed at least 85 golden and bald eagles between 1997 and 2012--and that eagle fatalities possibly may be much higher. The study also indicates that eagle deaths have increased dramatically in recent years as the nation has turned...

Do Eagles die from wind energy?

Fish and Wildlife official King said there is a lack of reliable data about overall eagle mortality, but noted that wind energy facilities are just one of numerous risks to the birds, who also die in collisions with power lines and buildings, and are sometimes killed by cars while eating roadkill.

Did ESI energy kill eagles?

ESI Energy was warned that eagles would be killed if the company built two wind farms in central and southeastern Wyoming, and the risk to eagles when it authorized the repowering of a New Mexico wind farm, about 170 miles from Albuquerque. Most of the eagles killed at the ESI and NextEra wind farms were golden eagles.

Do wind farms kill eagles?

The study also indicates that eagle deaths have increased dramatically in recent years as the nation has turned increasingly to wind farms as a source of renewable, low-pollution energy, with nearly 80 percent of the fatalities occurring between 2008 and 2012 alone. (See related post: " Wind Farm Faces Fine Over Golden Eagle's Death .")

Did wind turbines kill eagles?

Some turbines killed multiple eagles and because the carcasses are not always found, officials said the number killed was likely higher than the 150 birds cited in court documents. Travelers check a map below a Vestas wind turbine July 14, 2021 on Pemberton Point in Hull, Massachusetts. (Robert Nickelsberg/Getty Images /Getty Images)

The Alarming Truth: What is the Leading Cause of Eagle Deaths? The primary cause of death for eagles, encompassing both bald eagles and golden eagles, is multifaceted ...

Wind turbines are killing bald and golden eagles nationwide, and the death toll is mounting. That's according to Dr. Joel Pagel, a longtime raptor biologist now working with the ...

The charges arose from the deaths of nine eagles at three wind farms in Wyoming and New Mexico. In addition to those deaths, the company acknowledged the deaths of ...

Bald and golden eagles are protected by federal law, and the government offers permits for incidental take--unintentional deaths--of the species resulting from wind power generation. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife ...

The surge in wind power has generally been well-received in the environmental community, but bird deaths -- and eagle deaths in particular -- have been a source of ...

The charges arose from the deaths of nine bald eagles at three wind farms in Wyoming and New Mexico. FILE: This Jan. 5, 2020, photo shows a bald eagle in Philadelphia. (AP Photo/Chris Szagola, File)

Two prosecutions have taken place so far for eagle and other bird deaths (PacifiCorp and Duke Energy); without a permit, any take of a Bald Eagle or Golden Eagle is ...

FILE - This Jan. 5, 2020, photo shows a bald eagle in Philadelphia. NextEra Energy subsidiary ESI Energy was sentenced to probation and ordered to pay more than \$8 million in ...

The rule, first issued in 2009, governs the FWS's administration of the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, which makes it a criminal offense to kill or injure a bald or golden ...

It has more than 100 wind farms in the U.S. and Canada and also generates natural gas, nuclear and solar power. Almost all of the eagles killed at the NextEra subsidiary's ...

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By Matthew Brown, The Associated Press BILLINGS, Mont. -- A wind energy company was sentenced to probation and ordered to pay more than \$8 million in fines and ...

SACRAMENTO, CA -- A subsidiary of a massive renewable energy provider pleaded guilty this week to criminal charges in the deaths of at least 150 bald and golden eagles -- including at least 92 ...

The data will provide amazing precision in bald eagle behavior patterns and habitat use. Although more is known about the golden eagle and wind turbine mortality, very little is known about the bald eagle's interactions ...

Almost all of the eagles killed at the NextEra subsidiary's facilities were struck by the blades of wind turbines, prosecutors said. Some turbines killed multiple eagles and because the...

However, a wide range of industries -- from energy firms to manufacturing companies -- have lobbied for years against enforcing the law for accidental bird deaths. The ...

A new federal rule will provide legal protection for wild energy companies when bald and golden eagles are inadvertently killed by wind turbines if they record the deaths and ...

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Other energy sources, such as coal, oil and power lines, contribute to millions of bird deaths. However, cats remain the biggest threat to birds, killing an estimated 1.3 to 4 billion birds each year.

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