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Ohio's bald eagle population soars

Documented nests up 14% from 2020

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SANDUSKY — A survey carried out last year shows that bald eagles are continuing to thrive in Ohio, the Division of Wildlife says.

State officials announcing the results of a 2021 aerial survey report an estimated 806 bald eagle nests in Ohio, up 14% from the 707 nests documented during a detailed citizen science survey of bald eagle nests carried out in 2020.

The survey, done by the Division of Wildlife, part of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, showed 1.6 young per nest, well above the figure of 1 needed to maintain the population.

The survey shows the continuation of a longer-term upward trend in the bald eagle population in Ohio, said Kelly Schott,

wildlife communications specialist for the Magee Marsh Wildlife Area.

In 2012, the last time a detailed nest count was carried out, about 200 nests were found, Schott said. Bald eagles were once an endangered species; only four nesting pairs were known in Ohio in 1979.

A Division of Wildlife airplane flew over several areas last year to carry out the survey and come up with the nest estimate. The survey consists of flying over five blocks of land, of about 10 square miles each, to look for nests in woodlots and along rivers.

Two of those five locations are surveyed every year, while three other locations are rotated each year. The two permanent locations are an area near Sandusky on Lake Erie, and at the Mosquito Creek Wildlife

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Division of Wildlife

BALD EAGLES tend to their nest in Ohio.

Branching out

Arlington men's club plants

5 trees at village park



CLEVELAND (AP) — Two men have been sentenced to life in prison and a third to a shorter term in the grisly deaths of an Ohio man and his teenage daughter more than three years ago.

The bodies of 39-year-old Paul Bradley and 14-year-old Paris Bradley were found in October 2018 in a burning car in East Cleveland. Cuyahoga County prosecutors said three men had broken into family home, tied up and beat the man while demanding money, then kidnapped the pair for five hours, killing the girl and setting fire to the car.

The county medical examiner said the girl died of a gunshot to the head and the man from a combination of blunt force trauma and smoke inhalation from the fire. Assistant Prosecutor Gregory Paul called the slayings the result of "a barbarism that I cannot explain."

Common Pleas Court Judge Kelly Ann Gallagher on Thursday sentenced Ronald Newberry and Kodii Gibson, who were each convicted of aggravated murder and other charges in separate trials, to life terms, Cleveland.com reported.

Gallagher ordered Newberry, 27, to spend 65 years behind bars until he is eligible for parole. Gibson, 25, must serve 50 years before being eligible for parole. Attorneys for both men vowed appeals.

Newberry declined to speak at the hearing. Gibson apologized to the Bradleys and to "the community," saying he didn't intend for anyone to die that night and wished he could have stopped that from happening.

"Like a tidal wave, my choices have rippled through the Bradleys' homes and my own," he said, reading from a written statement. "For that, I'll always be sorry."

Demarcus Sheeley, who pleaded guilty last week to involuntary manslaughter, was sentenced to 15 years in prison. As part of the plea deal, prosecutors dropped aggravated murder, kidnapping and other counts. Sheeley, 28, will be credited for nearly three years and will be eligible for parole after a dozen years in prison.

Paul Bradley's relatives described him as a devoted father who was adored by his 14 children and was the backbone of the family. Paris, a high school freshman, was a joyful and outgoing honors student who ran track and had blossomed into a mature young woman, they said.

Prosecutors originally announced plans to seek the death penalty, but a jury rejected that in Gibson's case and recommended a life term with parole possible after 30 years for each killing. Prosecutors then dismissed capital charges against the other two defendants.

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Area in Trumbull County, east of Cleveland.

The other three locations surveyed in 2020 were Killbuck Wildlife Area in Holmes and Wayne counties; Grand Lake St. Marys in Mercer and Auglaize counties and the Maumee River in Defiance and Henry counties.

While bald eagles are doing well

eagles and other local birds. Earlier in March, ODNR announced that an avian flu recently killed two eagles in the Port Clinton area.

It's too early to say what the magnitude of the avian flu outbreak will be, but officials hope eagles will continue to increase their population, Schott said.

Bald eagles are the national symbol, and they are protected by

illegal to get too close to their nests, as eagles disturbed by people might abandon their nests.

Ideally, people should stay 100 yards away from an eagle nest. If that's not possible, they should at least stay 100 feet away, Schott said.

Sightings of wildlife, including bald eagles, may be reported at the Ohio Division of Wildlife's wildohio.gov website; look for the "Report

One of four was from Ohio

DOVER, Del. (AP) — The bodies of four Marines who died in a military aircraft crash during a NATO exercise were transferred back to the U.S. Friday.

The U.S. Marine Corps said an Osprey aircraft crashed on March 18 in a Norwegian town in the Arctic Circle, killing the four Marines. Officials with the Marines said Saturday that hundreds of U.S. Marines, sailors, service members and civilians rendered final salutes to the fallen Marines in Bodø, Norway, early Friday.

The bodies of the Marines were then placed on board an Air National Guard military transport aircraft and flown to Dover Air Force Base in Delaware, Marine Corps officials said. The remains of the Marines will ultimately be moved to their final resting places according to their families' wishes, officials said



ANDREW HARNIK / The Associated Press
A U.S. MARINE CORPS carry team moves a transfer case containing the remains of Cpl. Jacob M. Moore of Catlettsburg, Kentucky, during a casualty return Friday at Dover Air Force Base.

in a statement.

The crash killed Capt. Ross A. Reynolds, 27, of Leominster, Massachusetts; Capt. Matthew J. Tomkiewicz, 27, of Fort Wayne, Indiana; Gunner Sgt. James W. Speedy, 30, of Cambridge, Ohio; and Cpl. Jacob M. Moore, 24, of Catlettsburg, Kentucky. The men were all assigned to Marine

Medium Tiltrotor Squadron 261, Marine Aircraft Group 26, 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing stationed at Marine Corps Air Station New River, North Carolina. They were taking part in a long-planned NATO exercise called Cold Response, which authorities said was unrelated to Russia's war in Ukraine.



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The Ohio Power Siting Board Staff Recommends Approval of the Border Basin Solar Project

Border Basin Joined the Chamber in 2021. We are developing a 120 MWac solar project in Cass Township that covers approximately 900 acres of land. Our project just took a significant step forward with the Ohio Power Siting Board Staff recommending our project for approval in their [57-page staff report](#).

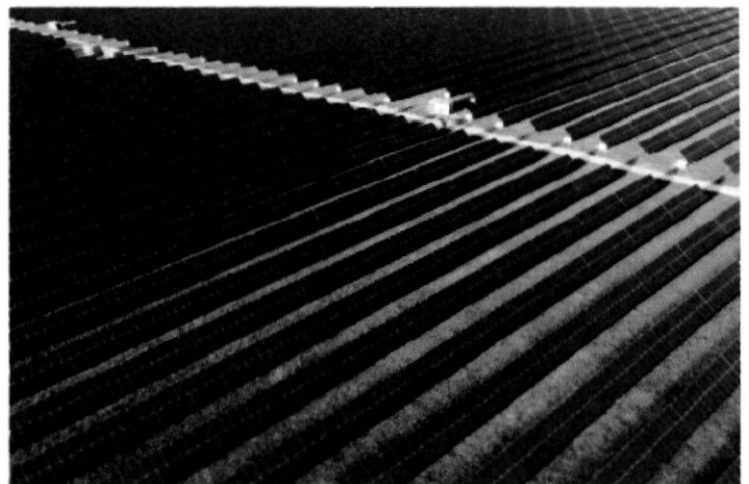
Ohio Imports 25% of its Electricity from Other States and Canada

Ohio is an industrial powerhouse. Unfortunately, Ohio sends money to out-of-state and Canadian electric power generators every year because there are not enough in-state power plants. The electricity from Border Basin will keep tax revenue local, where it belongs. It will also act as a hedge against rising electricity rates (sunshine is free after all!) helping keep Ohio businesses competitive!

Border Basin Will Pay \$1,080,000 in Energy Tax Annually to the County Increasing the Services the County Can Provide for Citizens, Schools and Businesses

Under Ohio R.C. § 5727.75 certain types of electric power generators, from solar to clean coal, can apply to be designated "Qualified Energy Projects" or QEP. The County Commissioners approved our application to be a QEP in the Fall of

2021. The Commissioners negotiated a great deal for the county when they required Border Basin to pay the maximum amount allowed under state law of \$9,000 per MW or \$1.08 million per year. Technically this payment is called a Payment in Lieu of Taxes or





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