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## Tales from the Trail



***By Bill Combs Jr., Eagle Trail Ambassador***

This is a month of observing nest building and eagle bonding on the trail.

[Viewing Site #14](#) (Mine Kill State Park) has seen a lot of activity this month, with the warm winter the reservoirs at the park have not started to freeze yet. There are two nests located in the area of the park and on some days, you can see as many as 15 Eagles at the

same time. For the best opportunity to view the Eagles, be sure to get out on the trail in the morning and/or later in the day.

Now that other bodies of water are starting to freeze, and the water is colder the Eagles in Schoharie County are now hunting the farm fields and fishing along the Schoharie creek, as moving water takes longer to freeze.

[Viewing site #7](#) in Central Bridge you can find the Central Bridge Eagles on the north side of the bridge where the nest is located and the Schoharie Eagles can be seen on the southside of the bridge, also keep an eye out for the resident Red-tailed hawks nesting in the area.

The Seward Eagles that lost their nest last Spring due to weather have finished most of building of their new nest now and is spending a lot of time together lately.

The Middleburgh Eagles are almost finished with their new nest as they also lost their nest last Spring and can be seen daily near [Viewing site #8](#) (Timothy Murphy Park).

Eagles can also be seen all along the Schoharie Creek from Middleburgh to Gilboa almost every day.

We hope to be adding a few more locations to the Trail map in the next few weeks. Keep an eye out in our monthly Tales from the Trail for more information on new locations and Trail events in 2022!

*If you enjoy these monthly Tales from the Trail, please consider [joining](#) our flock so we may enjoy these stories for years to come.*

## DON'T MISS THE ANNUAL EAGLE COUNT



**This Saturday, January 8,** Bill Combs Jr. will be hosting the National Eagle Count Event at Mine Kill State Park ([Viewing Site #14](#))! We will be meeting at the boat launch.

Free parking and binoculars will be available. Don't forget to dress warm and bring water. I hope to see you there!

*If you are unable to make it this time, I am also available for private tours of the Eagle Trail. You can contact me at [nywild@gmail.com](mailto:nywild@gmail.com) to schedule your tour today.*



***Want to see more from the Trail in-between our monthly Tales?***

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