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Eagle Egg #1 Hatches at Nest at Norfolk Botanical Garden
Watch the Eagle Cam to Catch the Hatch of Egg #2 and Egg #3

The first egg has hatched in the bald eagle nest at the Norfolk Botanical Garden. After almost 39 days since the first egg was laid, initial evidence of the hatching occurred at 1:10 PM on Thursday, March 11, 2010. The first egg was laid in a snow filled nest on January 31st. The adult eagles were diligent in incubating the egg to keep it from being excessively chilled.

Two more eggs followed on February 3rd and 6th. Continue to watch the Eagle Cam for signs of them hatching in the coming days.

The public can follow the efforts of these eagles to successfully raise their brood with the Eagle Cam. This collaborative project of WVEC.com, Norfolk Botanical Garden (NBG) and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) provides high quality, 24-hour live streaming video coverage of the nest. Slideshows recording daily activity at the nest are posted on WVEC.com. Biologists from VDGIF make regular blog posts to keep viewers up-to-date with happenings in the nest and to provide general information about bald eagles.

The eagles and their nest can be seen in person by visiting the Norfolk Botanical Garden.

This is the seventh year this pair of bald eagles has nested at NBG.

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About Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF)

It is the mission of the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries to manage Virginia's wildlife and inland fish to maintain optimum populations of all species, while providing opportunities for all Virginians to enjoy the wildlife of the Commonwealth. VDGIF's efforts are guided by Virginia's Wildlife Action Plan. This Plan focuses on the species and habitats of greatest conservation need, but it is also a plan for the conservation of all Virginia's wildlife.

Learn more about Virginia's Wildlife Action Plan
bewildvirginia.org/wildlifeplan/

Learn what's happening at the DGIF Blog
www.dgif.virginia.gov/eaglecam/

About Norfolk Botanical Garden (NBG)

Norfolk Botanical Garden represents an oasis of over 30 theme gardens encompassing 155 beautiful acres. This diverse natural beauty can be explored by tram, boat or walking tours. NBG is accredited by the American Association of Museums, is recognized as a Virginia Historic Landmark and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. For more information about the Garden and classes, visit www.norfolkbotanicalgarden.org.

About WVEC.com

WVEC.com is the award-winning Web site for WVEC Television, the ABC affiliate serving Hampton Roads and surrounding areas of Virginia and North Carolina. WVEC.com has hosted the Eagle Cam images since the camera went online in 2006. The station provides regular updates on the eagles on 13News. To watch the eagle cam visit www.wvec.com/eaglecam