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### **Petenwell Dam Area in Central Wisconsin Offers Prime Bald Eagle Viewing**

**Necedah, WI** – Winter 2011 conditions at the Wisconsin River Power Company Petenwell Dam, just east of Necedah, WI and north of the Highway 21 Wisconsin River crossing, are seemingly perfect for Bald Eagles. While the Prairie Du Sac, WI area is widely known for its eagle viewing in the winter, a Wisconsin DNR representative recently said the Bald Eagle viewing at Petenwell may be “the best in the state this year.”

Local bird watchers have reported 120 bald eagles along the short stretch of river (about 1/3 mile) from the dam to the Hwy 21 bridge. The best viewing seems to be from a boat landing a few hundred feet south of the dam on the west side of the river (directions below).

Necedah is located at the junction of Wisconsin highways 21 and 86, about 20 miles upriver from Wisconsin Dells. The Petenwell dam is about 3-4 miles east of downtown Necedah along Hwy 21.

**DIRECTIONS FROM NECEDAH:** Hwy 21 East to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North; north on 18<sup>th</sup> to just before entrance to Wisconsin River Power Company; right to boat landing.



More than 20 mature and juvenile eagles roost in a single tree.

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