

Company & Its President Fined \$7,500 for Harming Bank Swallows



While on patrol, an Environment and Climate Change Canada enforcement officer saw hundreds of Bank Swallows flying over a construction site in Leamington, ON. Upon inspection of the site, the officer found that numerous Bank Swallow eggs, nests and nest shelters had been destroyed. The company performing construction on the site and its president pleaded guilty to violating the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994*. The court ordered them to pay fines totaling \$7,500 to the Environmental Damages Fund [*Pirola Construction and Robert Pirola*, Federal Govt. News Release, Feb. 24, 2017].