Company, Shareholder, & Employee Fined for Destroying Bank Swallow Nests



More than 40 Bank Swallow nests were destroyed in a sand pit located near Beaumont, Quebec. The sand pits are preferred nesting spots for this species, which is designated as threatened. As a result, a company, a shareholder and an employee pleaded guilty to violating the *Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994*. The court fined the company $8,000, the shareholder $3,000 and the employee $1,000. The court also ordered the company to ensure compliance with the *Migratory Birds Regulations* in its sand pits and develop a habitat there favourable to Bank Swallow nesting for a period of three years [*Bergedac Lt□e*, Govt. News Release, April 29, 2016].