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Vulture Deterrent Sources and Costs

Listed below are weblinks to select perching deterrents tested at our research facility and found to be effective for vultures, as well as estimated costs. Proper selection and application of these products will greatly increase your chance of success. Additional untested products may be available and should be considered, however, be aware that many other products sold for avian nuisance control are inappropriate for vultures. Please feel free to consult with your USDA Wildlife Services state office for specific recommendations and technical information. This list was compiled to assist you in your decision making process. Listing here does not imply endorsement of any of these products by the USDA. Weblinks, suppliers, and prices are subject to change.

PRODUCTS WE'VE TESTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS:

Electric track: http://www.birdbgone.com/products/bird-jolt-flat-track/

Roller for fence-tops and ledges: <u>www.coyoteroller.com</u>

Motion activated sprinkler: www.contech-inc.com/products/scarecrow/ (see cost note below)

Metal spikes (premium model S only): www.nixalite.com/nixalitemodels.aspx#Premium Model S

Hand-held laser: <u>www.aviandissuader.com</u>

OTHER VERSIONS OF ELECTRIFIED PERCHING DETERRENTS THAT WE HAVE NOT TESTED:

Electric track: http://www.birdbarrier.com/store/pages.asp?p= FlexTrackInfo

http://www.birdbgone.com/products/shock-track-for-birds/

Electric strip tape: http://www.nixalite.com/shocktape.aspx

http://birdstopusa.com/

ARTIFICIAL VULTURE EFFIGY WE TESTED WITH POSITIVE RESULTS:

<u>www.superiorstudio.com</u>
<u>www.displayit-info.com</u>

<u>www.hankenimports.com</u>

Item # 2839, bird, vulture, standing head up 18", \$53

Item # 2839, 18" vulture, standing head up, \$78

Search for vulture, Model B321181, 15", \$36.60

GENERAL COSTS (as of January 2009):

Bird.B.Gone Bird Jolt track - \$3.85 per foot; energized by solar charger (\$115) or plug-in charger (\$50)

Roll Guard Coyote roller - \$6.63 per foot (sold in 4' lengths)

Scarecrow motion-activated sprinkler - numerous internet sources from \$40 to 90; mounting bracket \$12-15

Nixalite - \$5.97 per foot at 100' or less, \$4.98 over 100' (sold in 5 ft. lengths)

Feather-lite Avian Dissuader - \$1,395 red laser, \$1,995 green laser

Bird Barrier Shock Flex Track (new version – not tested; replacement of tested version which is no longer available) - \$3.25 per foot or sold in 50' roll for \$162.50

Shock Track (flexible version, not tested) - 100 foot roll \$235, charger sold separately

Nixalite Shock Tape (not tested) - 50' roll \$249

KABA Electric Shock Tape (not tested) - 50' roll, \$150 - \$185, accessories sold separately

All the above include most basic mounting hardware; some applications require additional joints, screws, glue, or lead wires. Electrified products require chargers. Standard scarecrow sprinkler comes with a lawn spike; additional mounting bracket is required for most rooftop and structure related applications. All the above pricing (except for sprinkler) came from the manufacturer (shown in **BOLD**) and may not be current.