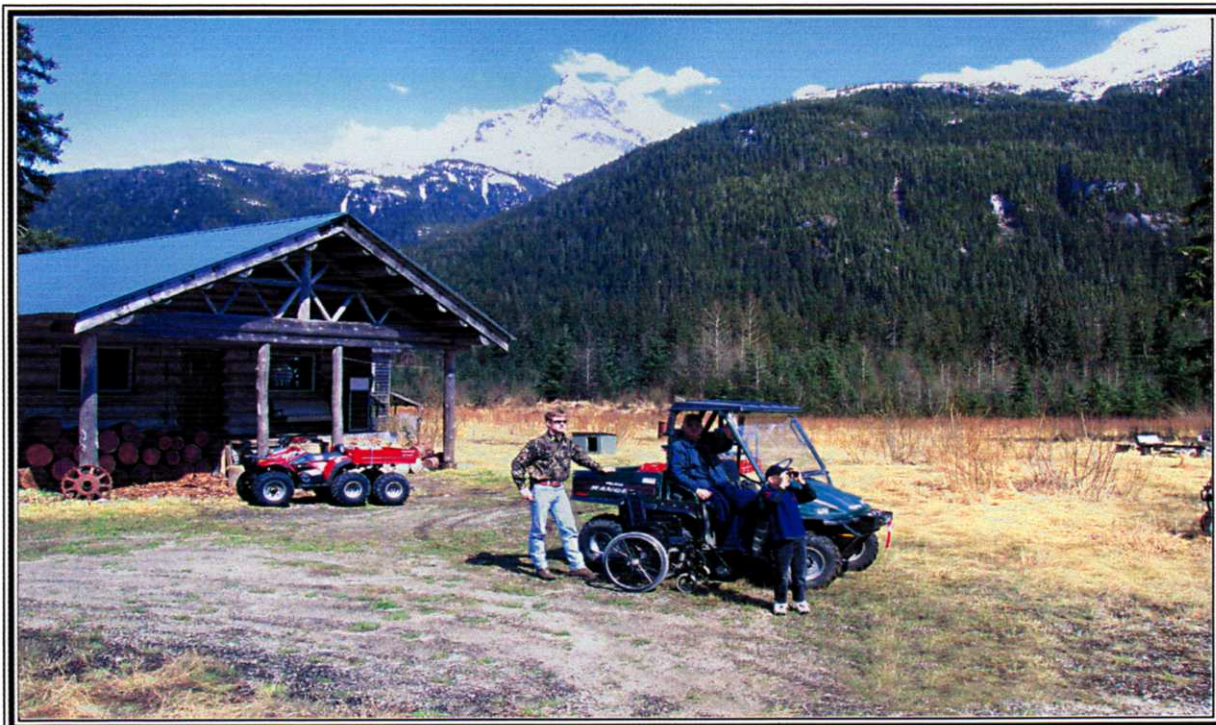




# *On The Wings of Eagles*

## **Land Gift Makes Field Research Station A Reality**



**ABEF founder Dave Olerud, his son Douglas, and grandson Tyler look over new land gift donated to the American Bald Eagle Foundation**

**On May 15, 2001 a few strokes of the pen created the site of the American Bald Eagle Foundation's first ever permanent field research station. In a gesture of heart felt generosity a joint family holding was donated and signed over to the American Bald Eagle Foundation by the families of Dan & Christine Turner, Robert and Karen Day, Heather Eversmeyer, and Clair Eversmeyer. This parcel of land occupies 4.6 acres of pristine wilderness area in the upper Chilkoot valley and is located approximately eight miles off the main road system. This wonderful donation is in such an ideal location that the ABEF could not have found a better located parcel of land anywhere. With our upper Chilkoot research project scheduled to begin in June, 2001 the timing was absolutely perfect. Although it may take a year or so to construct a permanent field station temporary facilities can be erected immediately. This will permit our research team to remain in the field for several days at a time rather than having to make the trek in and out on a daily basis. Research in the area officially began on June 20, 2001 and will continue over the next several years. One of the main focuses of this project is to document and record the valley's flora and fauna. This information can then be utilized to determine future projects in the area. One project already under way is to identify the etiology of the dramatic decline in the number of returning spawning sockeye salmon to the old "Glory Hole." From the ABEF, to the Turner, Day, and Eversmeyers families-THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS !**

