While visiting Los Padres National Forest in California, Jeri Edwards discovered a number of unscreened ventilation pipes on vault toilets ... so she did something about it! She gathered TRC Poo-Poo Project information, and with the help of the TRC she found out the number of screens needed throughout the LPNF and created a GOFundME campaign to raise $2400 for the purchase of 58 Poo-Poo Screens. The screens are placed on top of the open vent pipes to prevent cavity-nesting birds from entering the 12" diameter opening, where they become stuck in all that 'stuff' you see in the basement of vault toilets. By reaching out to local wildlife and conservation organizations she received 45 donations and successfully achieved her $2400 goal within one month. The screens were shipped in this summer and will be installed by the US Forest Service in Mt Pinos, Ojai, Santa Barbara, Monterey, and Santa Lucia Districts of Los Padres National Forest, including all campgrounds. "I had two goals in initiating the GoFundMe campaign," Jeri said: "1) to raise awareness of the cavity nester vulnerabilities to open pipes, and 2) of course raise enough money so that all the vault toilets within the LPNF would be covered, I was thrilled to reach the goal within one month, but I was really excited to hear that, because of my campaign, an Audubon group in Southern California learned of the open pipe dangers and became inspired to seek out ways to fund screens for two other National Forests in Southern California! That’s a big WIN for cavity nesters!" Congratulations to Jeri for thinking outside of the box and spearheading the first ever Poo-Poo Project GoFundMe account. If you are interested in using similar tactics to support the Poo-Poo Project, or have other fundraising ideas, please contact Teton Raptor Center at 307.203.2551.