

# Eliminate Distractions

## Description:

You get a day off from shooting today. Instead, take one of the photos you have created in this course and eliminate any distractions in it. The wildlife pictures you took yesterday are probably good candidates for this project. Take a good, hard look at the photo, then use the cloning and healing tools of Lightroom and Photoshop to remove any unwanted items.

## Keys to Success:

- Start with the Spot Healing Brush. Give Photoshop a chance to do the heavy lifting for you!
- Try removing the distracting element all in one move first. Even if Photoshop fails, what it replaces those pixels with will still be better than what you start with. And who knows? You might get lucky.
- Make sure any lines through the picture continue to match up. If they don't, it is a dead giveaway that you manipulated the picture.

## Upon Completion of this Assignment:

You'll be able to improve any photo by eliminating distractions. You'll also save many photos that would otherwise be headed for deletion. As you gain confidence in these tools and your skills, you'll be able to remove larger and more problematic items.