



BAT AND WIND ENERGY FORUM

March 26, 2024
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm EST

89th North American Wildlife and Natural Resource Conference
Grand Rapids, MI
Room: See WhoVa App

- 3:00 Welcome
- 3:05 State of the Bats Overview – *Amanda/Mylea, BCI*
- 3:20 Bats & Wind What do we know, what can we do better? – *Cris Hein, NREL*
- 3:35 Discussion – Background and Research
How can we leverage existing research, what research priorities do we have and how do we conduct the research, and where can AFWA fit in?
- 3:55 Outcomes from USGS/AFWA Data Standards Workshop – *Bethany Straw, USGS*
- 4:05 Discussion – Data Standards
What datasets are out there and what are 'lessons learned'? How can we better centralize and standardize bat monitoring data? How can we get industry on board to participate?
- 4:30 Discussion- Information Needs for Mitigation & National Standard Guidance
National Standard Guidance (beyond WEGs) how can AFWA do something? Fatality thresholds, mitigation (research as mitigation from USFWS), solutions for reducing mortality?
- 4:55 Actionable Next Steps