

2018 MDOT Local Agency Program: Threatened & Endangered Species

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Many recent changes have been happening in the world of Threatened & Endangered species! All of your federal and state-funded transportation projects need to ensure protection of these species. During this webinar, you will see some of the most recent data and experience a mock 'walk through' of a Threatened & Endangered species review process. You'll also have a chance to have your questions answered by experts at the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Environmental Division and US Fish & Wildlife Services.

Presenters

Lynette M. Firman, PE, is the urban project development engineer for MDOT's Local Agency Programs (LAP), working with the Environmental and Funding aspects of local agency projects. Firman is a 2002 graduate of Michigan Technological University and holds a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering.

Jeff Grabarkiewicz, MS, oversees MDOT's wildlife ecology program. He aims to minimize impacts to state and federally listed animals and protected species through policy development, NEPA project reviews, contract management, data management, field surveys, and coordination with regulatory agencies. Grabarkiewicz is a graduate of Eastern Michigan University and the University of Toledo, holding a bachelor's degree in Biochemistry with a physics/math minor and a master's degree in Ecology.

Mark C. Harrison, PE, is the project development engineer for MDOT's Rural and Bridge units. Harrison is a 1994 graduate of California State University, Sacramento, with a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering. He is licensed professional engineer in Michigan.

Matt Ihnken, CWB®, is a fish and wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He serves as the transportation liaison in the Michigan Ecological Services Field Office coordinating activities and providing technical support for transportation agencies in Michigan. Ihnken received his Bachelor of Science degree in Fish and Wildlife Biology from the University of Minnesota and is a Certified Wildlife Biologist® with The Wildlife Society.

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