

MDOT Local Agency Program: Threatened & Endangered Species

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Addressing Mussels and Other Threatened & Endangered Species on Your Projects



Michigan's
Local Technical
Assistance Program



Photo: Little brown bat - US FWS, by Caroline Byrne

Refresh your knowledge on what to do if you encounter Michigan's threatened/endangered bats or snakes.

Learn the new mussel protocol.

New for
2019!

All of your federal and state-funded transportation projects need to ensure protection of these species. This webinar will offer a refresher on addressing bats and eastern massasauga rattlesnakes as well as a chance to see some of the most recent data concerning mussels. 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.

WEBINAR

Thursday, May 23, 2019 - 10:00-11:30 a.m.

PRESENTERS

Eric Costa | Jeff Grabarkiewicz | Matt Ihnken

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Registration*

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Photo: Mussel - US FWS, by Jeff Grabarkiewicz

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Presenters

Eric Costa is the MDOT LAP National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) coordinator. He assists the LAP with environmental reviews to ensure projects are meeting the environmental standards/considerations set forth under NEPA. Costa holds a bachelor's degree in Urban Planning and Design and a Master's Certification in Geomatics from Eastern Michigan University.

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.

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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