

Counties must follow new guidelines as a part of road projects that involve tree cutting or work on bridge decks. Guidelines are different depending on the type of road funds being used.



Northern Long Eared Bat

- **Threatened** Species
- Prefers forested areas near water



Indiana Bat

- **Endangered** Species
- Prefers forested areas near water

For more information:
The Road Commission of
Kalamazoo County will be happy to
answer any further questions
or concerns.



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New Local Road Agency Environmental Guidance Bat Species Impact Road and Bridge Work



Northern Long Eared Bat



Indiana Bat



NON-FEDERAL FUNDS

Project Type: Tree (3" or larger), brush, bridge or structure, rehabilitation or removal.

Reason: Disturbing bat habitat or roost locations

Season: April 1—September 30 for areas not documented with roost or hibernacula.

All 12 months in areas adjacent to documented bat roost or hibernacula.

Requirement: April 1 to September 30, a USFWS consultation is required in known or unlikely occurrence areas.

From October 1—March 31, it is only necessary to contact USFWS if project site is in a documented bat habitat.

Key questions: Project location, habitat, roost occurrence, or loose bark.

Timeline: Ranges from immediate to USFWS consultation level.

Contact Info: USFWS—517-351-2555



FEDERAL FUNDS

Project Type: Tree (3" or larger), brush, bridge or structure, rehabilitation or removal.

Reason: Disturbing bat habitat or roost locations.

Season: All 12 months.

Requirements: Submit an Assessment Form to USFWS for projects that disturb habitat or roosting locations.

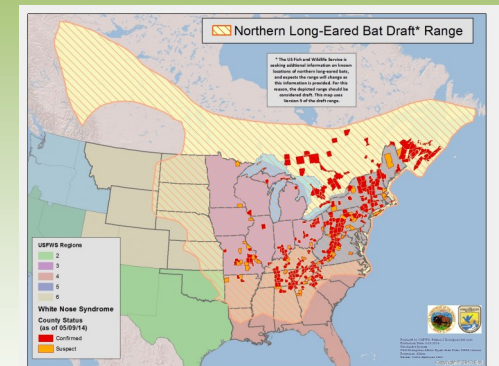
Key Questions: Projects will fall in one of three categories: No Impact; Likely to Impact, but Not Adversely; or Likely to Impact Adversely.

Projects considered to have No Impact or a Non-Adverse Impact, require an informal consultation with USFWS. Projects removing trees or disturbing nesting areas in bridges are Likely to Impact Adversely and require a Federal Section 7 consultation.

Timeline: USFWS to evaluate in 14 days. A Section 7 consultation requires a longer time frame.

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