### 2018 Bats for the Future Fund – Applicant Webinar



Credit: Ann Froschauer, USFWS

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- Do not hit hold button.
- Raise your "hand" to confirm you can hear.

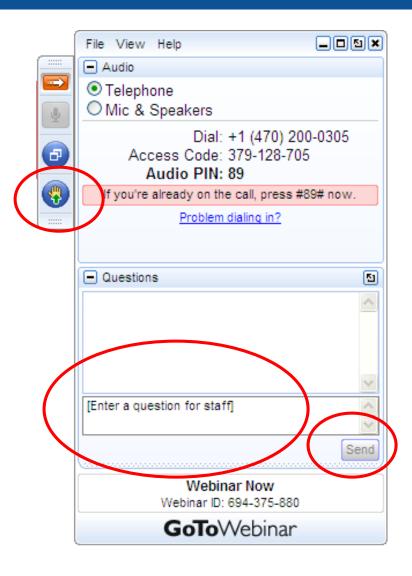
### **QUESTIONS?**

- ✓ Questions will be collected & then answered at the end of sections during the webinar.
- ✓ Type question into "Enter a question for staff" and click "Send" or
- ✓ Send question to <u>Michelle.Katz@nfwf.org</u> following conclusion of the webinar.
- ✓ See the FAQ document for BFF applicants.

#### **PROBLEMS?**

✓ Type it into the "Enter a question for staff." We will try to resolve it during the webinar.

Webinar Powerpoint and referenced documents can be found at: <a href="https://www.nfwf.org/bats">www.nfwf.org/bats</a>



## 2018 Bats for the Future Fund Agenda

- 1) Introductions
- 2) BFF RFP
- 3) Easygrants Online Application & Proposal Walk-through
- 4) Q&A



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# Bats for the Future Fund Partners & Funding









# 2018 Bats for the Future Fund RFP Goals & Objectives

### **BFF Goals**

- Prevent <u>or</u> slow the spread of WNS across North America
- Promote survival and recovery of WNS-affected bats through treatment & management tools

### **BFF Objectives**

- Advance management tools & treatments to:
  - minimize WNS- induced declines
  - improve survival and recovery
  - o prevent Pd exposure
- Fund innovative research leading to management solutions for WNS to perpetuate long-term, stable, viable bat populations



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## BFF Epidemiological Focus

- Preference given to projects that focus on treating or managing white-nose syndrome at the leading edge of the disease.
- Note: this does <u>not</u> preclude work in other areas which advance the BFF RFP goals and objectives.
- Resource: <u>Defeating White-Nose Syndrome: A Vision for</u> the Future (2015)
- International applicants and projects <u>must</u> have a clear tie to and benefit US populations of bat species

# 2018 Bats for the Future Fund Program Priorities

### **BFF PROGRAM PRIORITIES – Some Examples:**

- Biological or chemical control agents
- Vaccines and other immune modulating techniques
- Genetic and genomic manipulations
- Scalable delivery systems & implementation
- Habitat modification/amelioration strategies
- Testing field efficacy & feasibility
- Innovation and "proof of concept" treatments/tools

### Questions?

- Webinar wil Refer to the FAQ sheet found on <u>www.nfwf.org/bats</u> for a compendium of questions and answers.
- NFWF will capture today's questions & answers, and include these in an updated copy of the FAQ Sheet online
- FAQ Sheet will be periodically updated during the open RFP period
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- Questions post-webinar? Email: Michelle.Katz@nfwf.org.

## **Project Metrics**

- •Full list of 11 project metrics can be found within the BFF RFP.
- •Select <u>only</u> metric(s) relevant to your project, that can be reasonably accomplished in the BFF project performance period
- Must select at least 1 of the 11 metrics
- Potential metrics related to:
- Best Management Practices "BMP"
- Monitoring
- Research studies
- Survivorship
- Disease control

If you want to add a metric not on the official list include it in your proposal narrative in the solution or goals/objectives section.

### Match

 50% match requirement of total grant amount requested from BFF

 Exceeding the minimum match requirement is highly encouraged – more match can provide a bump in evaluation

We hope to see BFF funds leveraged!

## Eligible Entities

### **Eligible entities**

- Non-profits
- Federal agencies
- State agencies
- Local governments
- Municipal governments
- Tribal entities
- Research and educational institutions
- For-profits



### **Ineligible entities**

Unincorporated individuals

## Ineligible Use of Funds & Grant Range

### Funds and match may NOT be used to support:

- Species competition, distribution, movement + habitat use studies
- Unrelated monitoring studies
- Development of WNS detection methods or tools, UNLESS the development is directly related to deployment of a treatment method
- Outreach and education programs ...

  Refer to the RFP for the full list of ineligible uses of BFF \$s

GRANT RANGE: \$50,000 - \$400,000

### **Evaluation Criteria**

### What we're reviewing for in your proposal:

- Program Goals, Priorities, and Objectives
- Technical merit
- Complementarity
- Qualifications
- Transferability
- Communication
- Match
- Budget

<u>Tip</u> NFWF's "Budget Instructions" provides guidance & useful tools

Required Financial

<u>Documents</u>

**Budget Instructions** 

Indirect Cost Policy

Indirect Cost Calculator

Refer to NFWF Budget
Instructions in RFP

## Timeline – Key Dates

Full proposal due

May 3, 2018 at 11:59pm EST

Proposal review period

**May – July 2018** 

Awards announced

September 2018

Please see <u>www.nfwf.org/bats</u> for the most up-to-date program information

### **Useful Documents**

✓ <u>Tip</u>: Save 'em, print 'em, read 'em, & read 'em again <u>www.nfwf.org/bats</u>

- BFF RFP
- BFF Tip Sheet
- A Decision Support Tool article
- NEPA, NHPA, ESA templates
- FAQ Sheet

## Questions?



Tri-colored bat | Credit: Pete Pattavona, USFWS

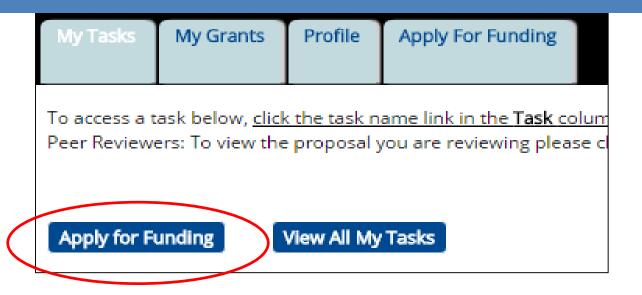
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If you are a first time visitor to this system, click **Register here** below.

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## **BFF Funding Opportunity**





## Eligibility Quiz



Answer each question below by selecting the Yes or No radio button, and click Submit to determine your eligibility to apply for this award. All information is required. If you partially complete and wish to return to complete this quiz later, be sure to save your data by clicking Save.

○ No ○ Yes

○ No ○ Yes

○ No ○ Yes

Have you read and do you understand the Program Guidelines for this Funding Opportunity, including any match requirements specific to the Funding Opportunity?

Can the reports and deliverables associated with any potential Foundation award for your project be published on the Foundation website?

Do you certify that you are authorized to submit this request for funding on behalf of your organization?

Upon submission of this page, you will see the outcome of your Eligibility Quiz. If you are eligible to apply for this award, you will have a corresponding To Do item on your **Home** page. If you do not wish to apply for this award at this time, click **Cancel**.

Important: Please proof your answers carefully. You will not be able to revise your answers after submitting.

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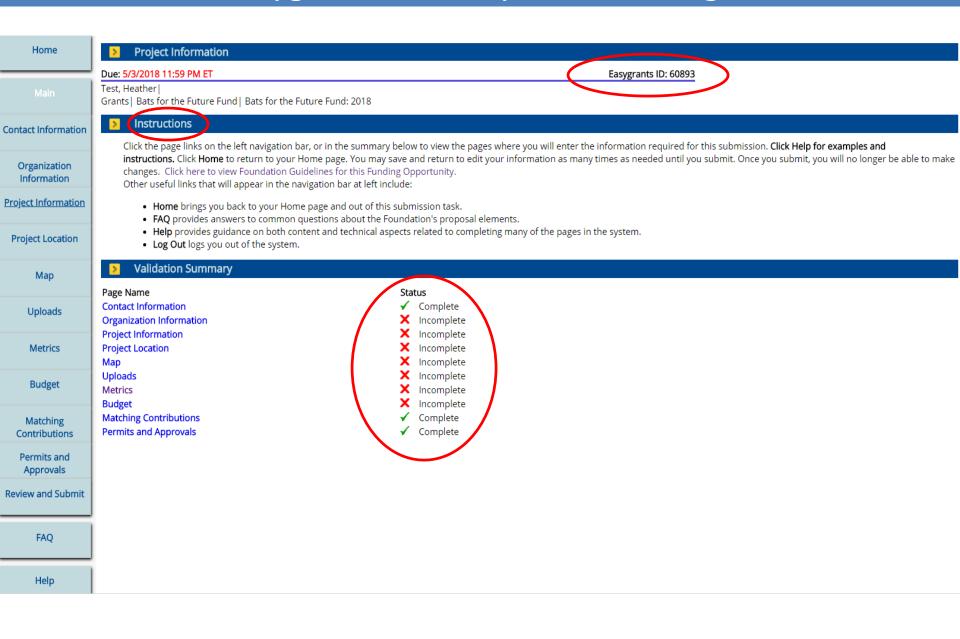
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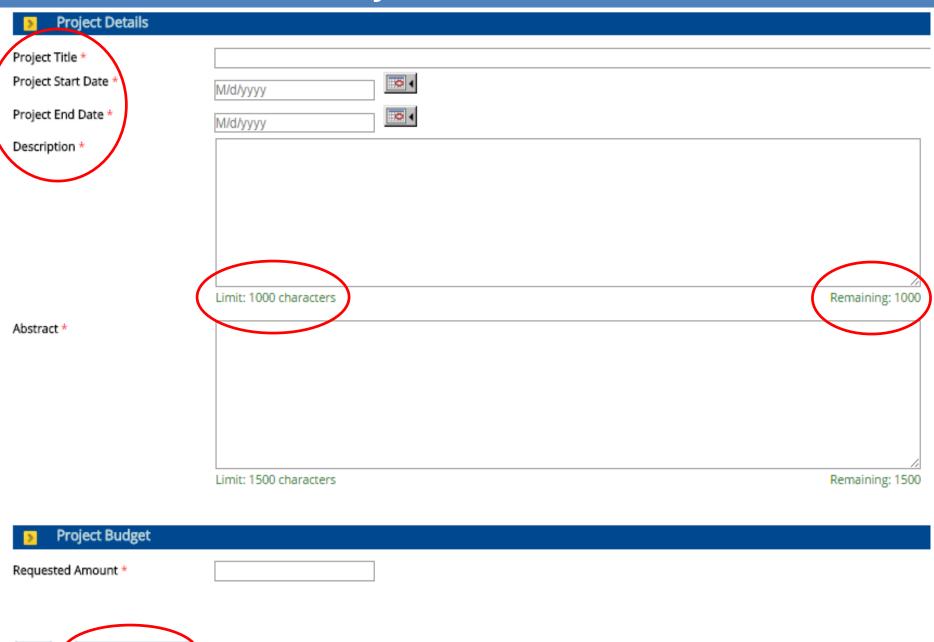
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54895	Test, Carrie	Full Proposal	Grants	Developing the Next Generation of Conservationists 2017	Incomplete	Not Submitted	11/17/2016	View PDF
57495	Test, Carrie	Full Proposal	Grants	Bats for the Future Fund: 2018	Incomplete	Not Submitted	5/3/2018	View PDF

### Easygrants Full Proposal Main Page



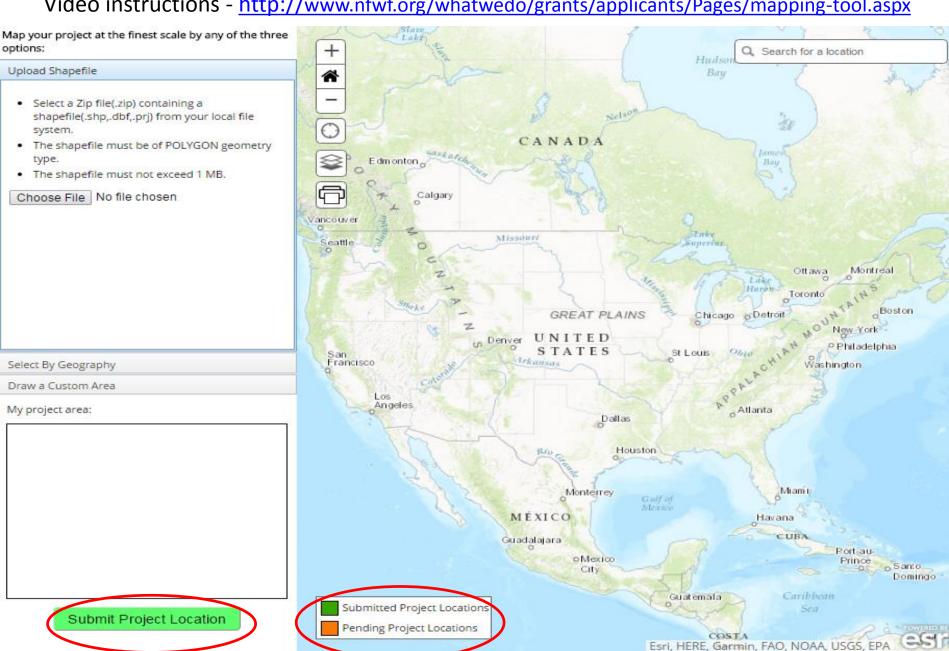
## **Project Information**



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### Project Map

Video instructions - <a href="http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/mapping-tool.aspx">http://www.nfwf.org/whatwedo/grants/applicants/Pages/mapping-tool.aspx</a>



## Project Uploads

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BFF Proposal Narrative	Yes	BFF Proposal Narrative	doc, .docx, .pdf, .rtf	No Limit	16 MB	12	No Limit	No Limit
Project Map	Yes		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
Landowner Permission Letter	No		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
Resumes	No		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
Statement of Litigation	Yes	Statement of Litigation	.doc, .docx, .pdf, .rtf	No Limit	16 MB	6	No Limit	No Limit
Board of Trustees, Directors, or equivalent	Yes		.doc, .docx, .pdf, .rtf	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
GAAP audited financial statements	Yes		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx, .xlsx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
IRS Form 990	Yes		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
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## **Project Metrics**

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	_	goals met ?	Species specific strategies	**						
		BFF - Research - # studies used to inform mgmt	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended						
		BFF - Research - # research studies completed	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended						
		BFF - Survivorship - Mortality rate	Species Outcome	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - # of species benefitting	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - # sites protected	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - # of sites that remain uncontaminated	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - # of sites with persistent populations	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - Fungal load rate	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						
		BFF - BMP development - # BMP recommendations developed	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended						
		BFF - Disease control - # individuals protected	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended						



### Project Budget



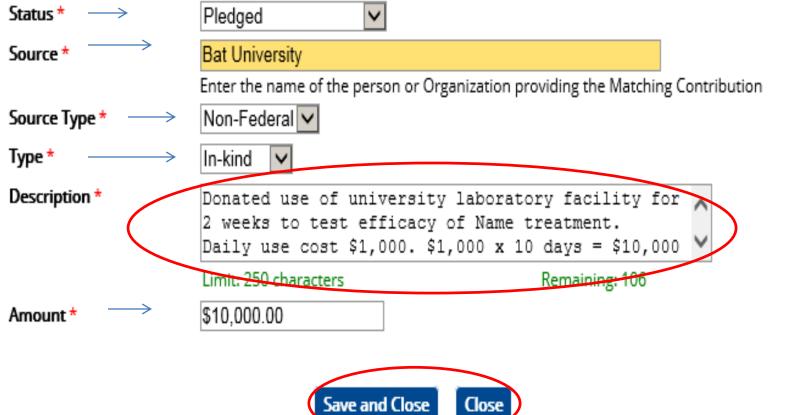
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### **Matching Contribution Editor**

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### Regulatory Compliance

## Proposals must show planning for, knowledge about and secure compliance with federal, state and local law and regulation

### **TIPS**

- Start pre-consultations with relevant agencies as soon as possible
- Secure landowner permission and document this (via email or letter)
- Plan and budget time and resources needed to obtain necessary approvals in BFF workplan and budget
- Make sure the "Permits" section of online application is complete
- Review article <u>A Decision Support Tool for Determining Federal Regulatory Authority</u> over Products for Vertebrate Animals (link in RFP)
- Consider and address state and local regulations
- Refer to the NEPA, ESA, and NHPA templates found at <u>www.nfwf.org/bats</u>

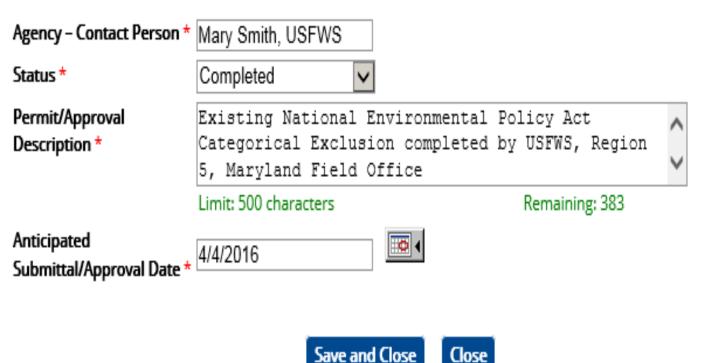
### Project Permits and Approvals

### Permits and Approvals - Click Help for Examples and Instructions Editor

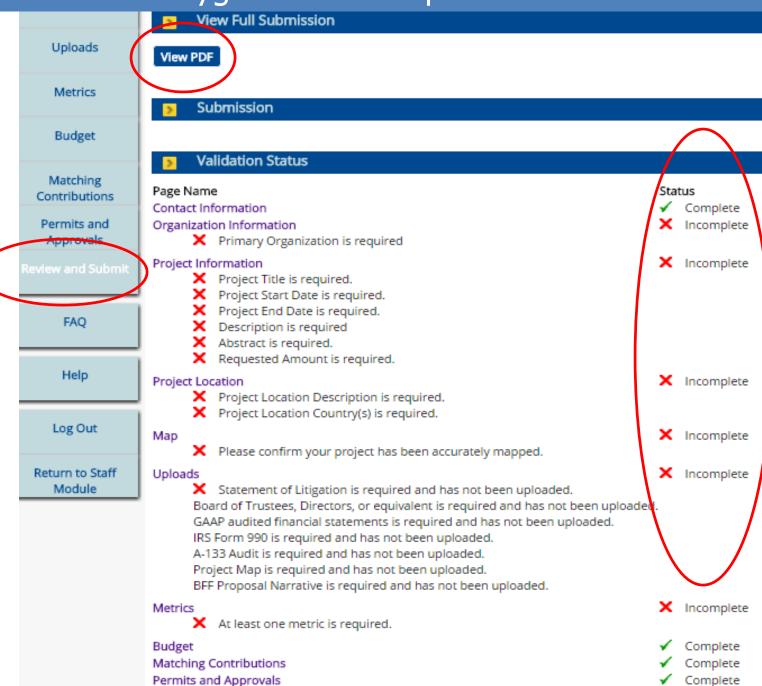




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