

2020 Bats for the Future Fund – Applicant Webinar



Credit: Ann Froschauer, USFWS



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Webinar Instructions

- All participants are muted.
- Do not hit hold button.
- Raise your “hand” to confirm you can hear.

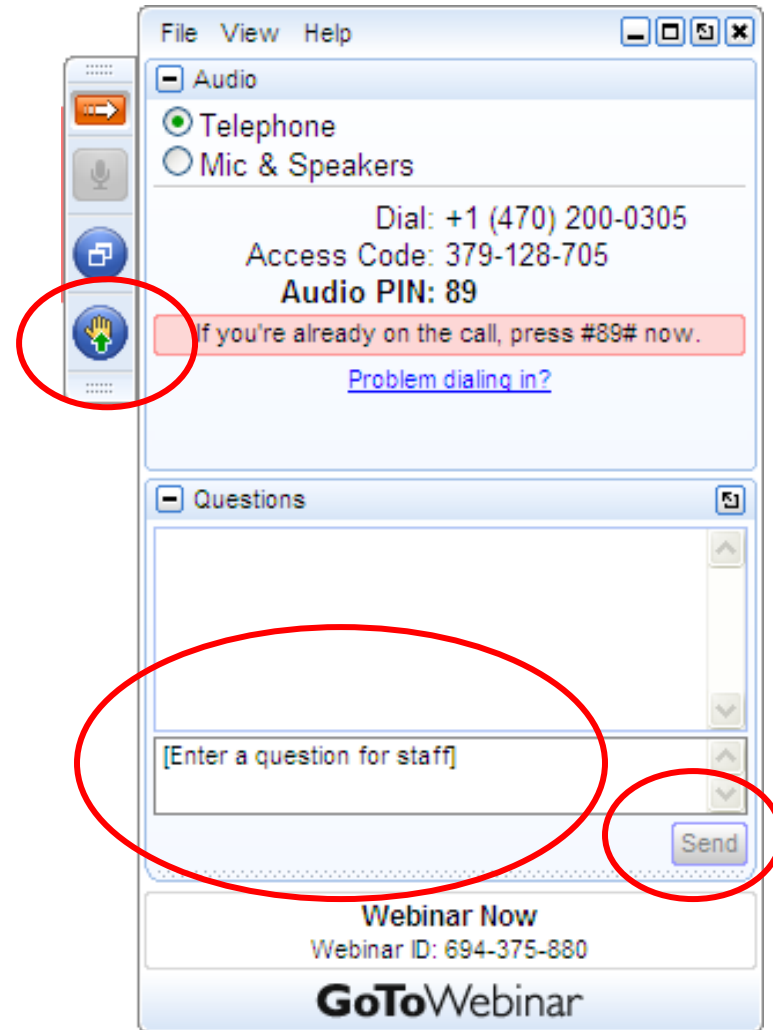
QUESTIONS?

- ✓ 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 John.Wright@nfwf.org 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: www.nfwf.org/bats



2020 Bats for the Future Fund Agenda

- 1) Introductions
- 2) BFF RFP
- 3) Easygrants Online Application & Proposal Walk-Through
- 4) Additional Questions?



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Bats for the Future Fund 2020 Request for Proposals

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Bats for the Future Fund 2020 Funding

Approximately \$600,000 anticipated



2020 Bats for the Future Fund RFP Goals & Objectives

BFF Objectives

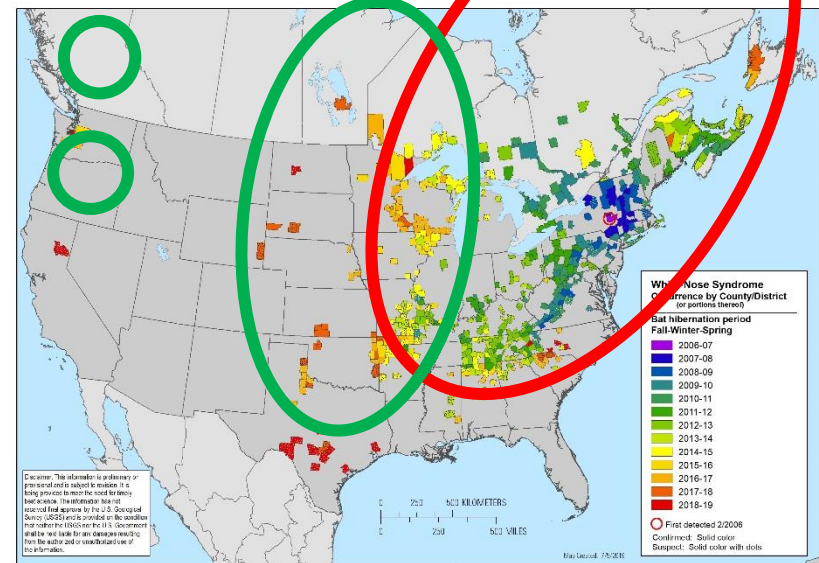
- Advance field treatments and management tools to prevent exposure of bats to *Pd* and improve survival from WNS
- Implement field treatments, management tools and conservation strategies to help WNS-affected bat populations recover
- Support research leading to development *and* deployment of treatments and management tools to perpetuate viable populations of bats



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BFF Epidemiological Focus

- **Currently Unaffected:** Areas where *Pd* has not been detected and is unlikely to already be present
- ✓ **Tools and strategies that counter the invasion and establishment of pathogenic *Pd***
- **Leading Edge:** where *Pd* has been detected and bats may be affected
 - ✓ Field treatments to prevent spread and minimize impacts
- **Established Area:** where *Pd* and WNS have caused significant mortality and all hibernacula are assumed to be impacted
 - ✓ Protect potential survivors and recover remaining populations



Note: Map is illustrative, not definitive

Program Priorities

1. Field treatments/management tools that prevent exposure of bats to *Pd* or improve survival from WNS
2. Field treatments/management tools/conservation strategies that help WNS-affected bat populations recover



Project Metrics

- **Full list of 11 project metrics can be found within the BFF RFP**
- Select only metric(s) relevant to your project, that can be reasonably accomplished in the BFF project performance period (must select *at least* 1 metric)
 - Include notes for each project metric selected
- **Metrics Related To:**
 - Best Management Practice (BMP) Development (# of BMPs developed)
 - Monitoring (# of sites monitored)
 - Research studies (# of studies completed, # of studies used)
 - Survivorship (mortality rate)
 - Disease control (# of individuals, # of species, # of sites)

If you want to add a metric *not* listed, include it in your proposal narrative in the solution or goals/objectives section.

Eligible Entities

Eligible entities

- Non-profit 501 (c) organizations
- U.S. Federal agencies
- State agencies
- Local governments
- Municipal governments
- Tribal Governments and Organizations
- Research and educational institutions
- For-profits

Ineligible entities

- Unincorporated individuals



Ineligible Use of Funds & Equipment Guidance

Funds/Match may *not* be used to support:

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

Refer to the RFP for the full list of ineligible uses of BFF grant funds

Equipment: *rent equipment where possible and cost-effective **or** use matching funds for purchase*

Evaluation Criteria

- **Program Goals, Priorities, and Objectives**
- **Technical Merit**
- **Cost-Effectiveness (Budget)**
 - **Assessment of direct costs *and***
 - **Indirect costs**
- **Complementarity**
- **Qualifications**
- **Transferability**
- **Matching Contributions**



Questions?

- Webinar will refer to the FAQ sheet found on www.nfwf.org/bats for a compendium of questions and answers.
- NFWF will capture questions and answers throughout application period, and update the FAQ sheet accordingly
- Questions post-webinar? Email: John.Wright@nfwf.org

Timeline – Key Dates BFF 2020

Full Proposal Due Date	November 12, 2020 11:59pm eastern time
Proposal Review Period	November – January
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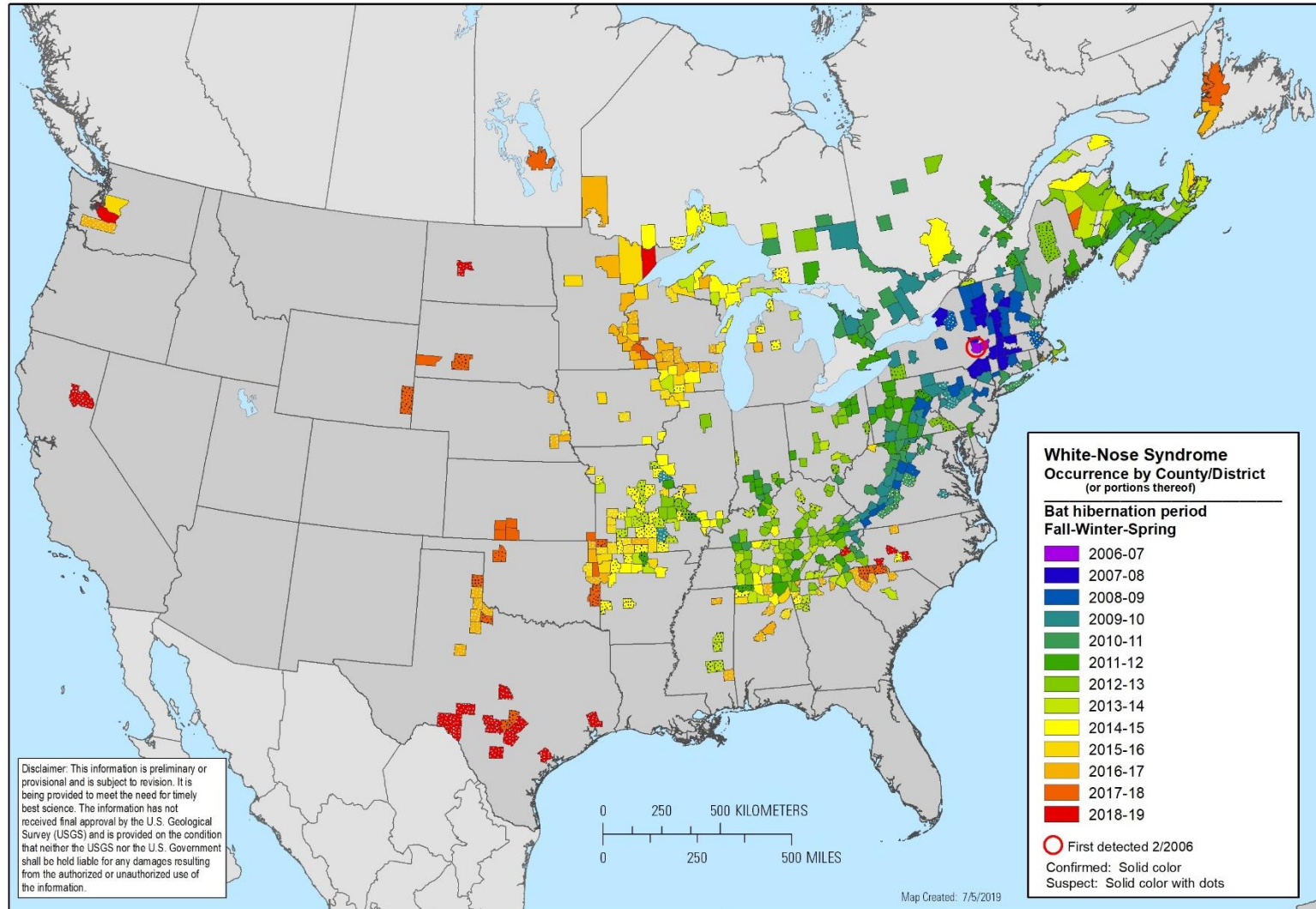
Refer to www.nfwf.org/bats for the most up-to-date program information

Additional Resources

Refer to the below documents when working through your application (found at nfwf.org/bats):

- **BFF RFP**
- **BFF Tip Sheet**
- **NEPA, NHPA, ESA Templates**
- **FAQ Sheet**

Questions?



Citation: White-nose syndrome occurrence map - by year (2019). Data Last Updated: 7/5/2019. Available at: <https://www.whitenosesyndrome.org/static-page/wns-spread-maps>.

Easygrants Proposal Submission Process

<https://easygrants.nfwf.org>

Enter your login ID and password and click **Log In** below. If you have forgotten your password, click **Forgot your password?** below.
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Password

☐ Remember Me

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BFF Funding Opportunity

The screenshot displays the BFF Funding Opportunity web application. At the top, there is a navigation bar with four buttons: "My Tasks", "My Grants", "Profile", and "Apply For Funding". Below this bar, a text instruction reads: "To access a task below, click the task name link in the Task column". Below the instruction, there are two large blue buttons: "Apply for Funding" (which is circled in red) and "View All My Tasks".

Below the buttons, the browser address bar shows the URL: easygrants.nfwf.org/NFWF/Implementation/Modules/Home/HomeModuleContent.aspx?Config=HomeModuleConfig&Page=ApplyGrant. The browser tabs show "Iwright | NFWF", "Paylocity Login", "Western Pennsylv...", "Western PA Busines...", and "NFWF Central Appa...".

The main content area has a left sidebar with links: "Home", "Change Password", "FAQ", "Log Out", and "Return to Staff Module". The main content area contains a section titled "Available Funding Opportunities" with a sub-header "Grants". Below this, there is a table of funding opportunities.

Grants	Due Date
<input type="radio"/> Alaska Fish and Wildlife Fund 2021 www.nfwf.org/afwf	10/21/2020 11:59 PM ET
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Bats for the Future Fund: 2020 www.nfwf.org/bats	11/12/2020 11:59 PM ET
<input type="radio"/> Desert Terminal Lakes Restoration Fund 2020 www.nfwf.org/programs/desert-terminal-lakes-restoration-fund	10/20/2020 11:59 PM ET
<input type="radio"/> Emergency Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance 2020 www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-life-distress/emergency-prescott-grants	12/31/2020 11:59 PM ET
<input type="radio"/> Impact Directed Environmental Accounts 2021 www.nfwf.org	9/30/2020 11:59 PM ET
<input type="radio"/> Improving Habitat Quality in Western Big Game and Migration Corridors 2021 www.nfwf.org/programs/rocky-mountain-rangelands/improving-habitat-quality	11/18/2020 11:59 PM ET

The bottom of the screenshot shows the Windows taskbar with the time 4:16 PM on 10/7/2020.

Eligibility Quiz

Instructions

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**.

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

☐ No ☐ Yes

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

☐ No ☐ Yes

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

☐ No ☐ Yes

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.

Save

Cancel

Submit

Your Easygrants Home Page

My Tasks

Easygrants ID	Primary Contact/PI	Task	Program Name	Funding Cycle Name	Status	Outcome	Due Date	
64867		Full Proposal	Grants	Delaware River Restoration Fund 2019	Incomplete	Not Submitted	4/11/2019	View PDF
64926		Full Proposal	Grants	New England Forests and Rivers Fund 2019	Incomplete	Not Submitted	4/25/2019	View PDF
66218		Full Proposal	Grants	Bats for the Future Fund: 2019	Incomplete	Not Submitted	9/19/2019	View PDF

Easygrants Full Proposal Main Page

Home

Project Information

Due: 9/19/2019 11:59 PM ET

Easygrants ID: 66218

Main

Grants | Bats for the Future Fund | Bats for the Future Fund: 2019

Instructions

Click the page links on the left navigation bar, or in the summary below to view the pages where you will enter the information required for this submission. **Click Help for examples and instructions.** Click **Home** to return to your Home page. You may save and return to edit your information as many times as needed until you submit. Once you submit, you will no longer be able to make changes. [Click here to view Foundation Guidelines for this Funding Opportunity.](#)

Other useful links that will appear in the navigation bar at left include:

- **Home** brings you back to your Home page and out of this submission task.
- **FAQ** provides answers to common questions about the Foundation's proposal elements.
- **Help** provides guidance on both content and technical aspects related to completing many of the pages in the system.
- **Log Out** logs you out of the system.

Validation Summary

Page Name

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Status

✓ Complete
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Map

Uploads

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Approvals

Review and Submit

FAQ

Project Information



Project Details

Project Title *

Project Start Date *

Project End Date *

Description *

M/d/yyyy



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Limit: 1000 characters

Remaining: 1000

Abstract *

Limit: 1500 characters

Remaining: 1500



Project Budget

Requested Amount *

Save

Save and Continue

Project Map

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

Map your project at the finest scale by any of the three options:

Upload Shapefile

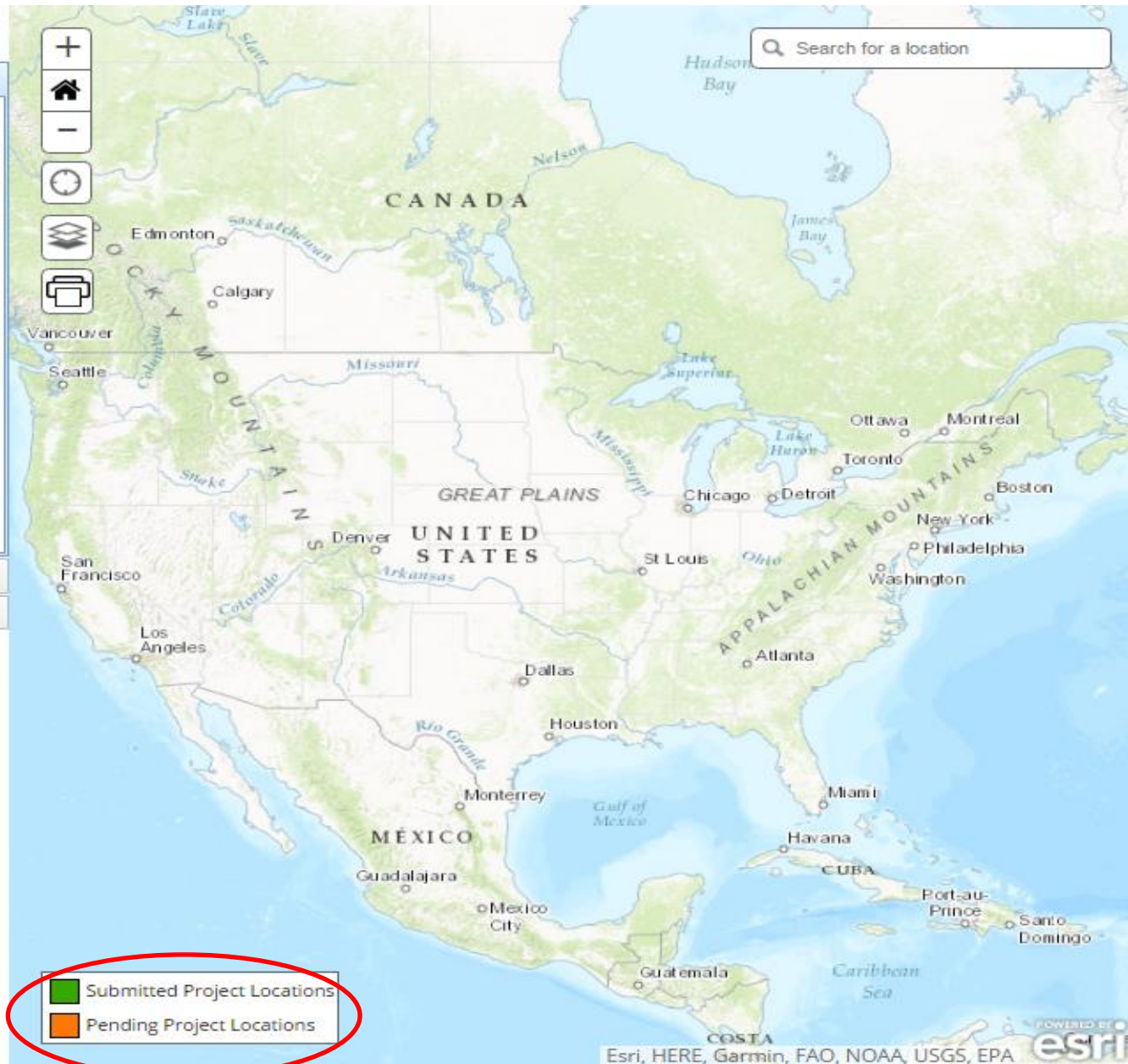
- Select a Zip file(.zip) containing a shapefile(.shp,.dbf,.prj) from your local file system.
- The shapefile must be of POLYGON geometry type.
- The shapefile must not exceed 1 MB.

No file chosen

Select By Geography

Draw a Custom Area

My project area:



Project Information Uploads

Upload Checklist

Upload Type	Required	Template	File Types Allowed	Max Uploads	Max File Size	Max Pages	Max Words	Max Characters
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
A-133 Audit	Yes		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
Indirect Rate Agreement	No		.xls, .doc, .pdf, .rtf, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .docx	No Limit	16 MB	No Limit	No Limit	No Limit
Other Documents (10 page limit)	No		.doc, .docx, .gif, .jpeg, .jpg, .pdf, .ppt, .pptx, .rtf, .xls, .xlsx	No Limit	16 MB	10	No Limit	No Limit

Uploads

Choose Upload Type

+ Add files...

Start upload

Cancel upload

Project Metrics

Select Metric



Show: Show All Templates ▼ Show All Strategies ▼

Search:

Add	Metric		Strategies	Required
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Research - # studies used to inform mgmt	?	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Research - # research studies completed	?	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Survivorship - Mortality rate	?	Species Outcome	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - # of species benefitting	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - # sites protected	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - # of sites that remain uncontaminated	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Monitoring - # sites being monitored	?	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - # of sites with persistent populations	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - Fungal load rate	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - BMP development - # BMP recommendations developed	?	Planning, Research, Monitoring	Recommended
<input type="checkbox"/>	BFF - Disease control - # individuals protected	?	Species-specific Strategies	Recommended

☐ Select All

Add Selected



Close

Project Budget



▼ Personnel


Personnel  



▼ Travel

Domestic Airfare - Per Flight  

International Airfare - Per Flight  



Train - Per Ticket  



Rental Car - Per Day  



Taxis - Per Trip  

Mileage - Per Mile  



Gasoline - Per Gallon  

Per Diem (M&IE) - Per Day  



Lodging - Per Night  

Meals (No M&IE) - Per Meal  



▼ Equipment


Equipment  

▼ Materials and Supplies

Materials and Supplies  

▼ Contractual Services

Subcontract/Contract - Per Agreement  

Subgrant - Per Agreement  

▼ Other Direct Costs

Other Direct Costs  


▼ Indirect Costs

Indirect Costs  

Total Direct Costs

Total Indirect Costs

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****Total Costs on Budget page must equal Requested Amount on Project Information page exactly***



Project Budget

Requested Amount *

Save

Save and Continue

Matching Contributions

Matching Contribution Editor



Instructions

Enter the required matching contribution details below. Click **Save** regularly to save your work. **The system will timeout and you will lose unsaved work if you do not save at least once every hour.** Click **Save and Close** to save and return to the Matching Contributions list page. Fields marked with a red asterisk (*) are required for final submission for most programs. **Click Help for examples and instructions.**

Status *	→	<input type="text" value="Pledged"/>
Source *	→	<input type="text" value="Bat University"/> Enter the name of the person or Organization providing the Matching Contribution
Source Type *	→	<input type="text" value="Non-Federal"/>
Type *	→	<input type="text" value="In-kind"/>
Description *	→	<div><div>Donated use of university laboratory facility for 2 weeks to test efficacy of Name treatment. Daily use cost \$1,000. $\\$1,000 \times 10 \text{ days} = \\$10,000$</div><div>Limit: 250 charactersRemaining: 106</div></div>
Amount *	→	<input type="text" value="\$10,000.00"/>

Save and Close

Close

Permits and Approvals

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 [*A Decision Support Tool for Determining Federal Regulatory Authority over Products for Vertebrate Animals*](#) (link in RFP)
- Consider and address state and local regulations
- Refer to NEPA, ESA, and NHPA templates found at www.nfwf.org/bats

Project Permits and Approvals

Permits and Approvals - Click Help for Examples and Instructions Editor



Instructions

Please describe the Permits or Approvals that are required for this project by completing the fields below. Fields marked with a red asterisk (*) are required. Click **Save** regularly to save your work. **The system will timeout and you will lose unsaved work if you do not save at least once every hour.** Click **Save and Close** to save and return to the Permits list page. Click **Help** for examples and instructions.

Agency - Contact Person *

Status *

Permit/Approval Description *

Limit: 500 characters

Remaining: 383

Anticipated Submittal/Approval Date *

Save and Close

Close

Easygrants Full Proposal Submission

Uploads	View Full Submission
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Page Name	Status
Contact Information	✓ Complete
Organization Information	✗ Incomplete
✗ Primary Organization is required	
Project Information	✗ Incomplete
✗ Project Title is required.	
✗ Project Start Date is required.	
✗ Project End Date is required.	
✗ Description is required	
✗ Abstract is required.	
✗ Requested Amount is required.	
Project Location	✗ Incomplete
✗ Project Location Description is required.	
✗ Project Location Country(s) is required.	
Map	✗ Incomplete
✗ Please confirm your project has been accurately mapped.	
Uploads	✗ Incomplete
✗ Statement of Litigation is required and has not been uploaded.	
Board of Trustees, Directors, or equivalent is required and has not been uploaded.	
GAAP audited financial statements is required and has not been uploaded.	
IRS Form 990 is required and has not been uploaded.	
A-133 Audit is required and has not been uploaded.	
Project Map is required and has not been uploaded.	
BFF Proposal Narrative is required and has not been uploaded.	
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