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Indiana Bat Summer Survey

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Dear FWS,

It has come to my attention that you have set up new guidelines concerning bat surveys. Having grown up in farm country in western New York State, I have come to appreciate our wonderful bats.

My knowledge of bat surveys is somewhat limited, but I do know that bats change their routine every few days. I understand that your new guidelines require a sound survey followed (not immediately) by a net survey. If bats change their routine every few days, you cannot compare the results of these two types of surveys. They should be done at the same time.

I also think the extra costs of the 4 phases of the survey are outrageous, but I am not addressing that here, just the science. Thanks.

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