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Comments on draft guidelines

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I've recently read an overview of the draft Indiana Bat Summer Survey Guidelines. As an architect I am aware of the potential implications and ramifications in development/site clearing delays, etc. but feel that the protection of these species, resources, and habitats outweighs the inconvenience to the industry. I support the use of the acoustic sampling protocols outlined in the report and additionally support the change in definition of suitable habitat from >6" caliper tree to 3". I trust that further technological developments will improve the ability of surveyors to distinguish between various species of bat by sound signature and that the cost of these sampling techniques will decrease in time. Thank you for your efforts on this important matter.

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