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THE NORTH AMERICAN BAT CONSERVATION ALLIANCE

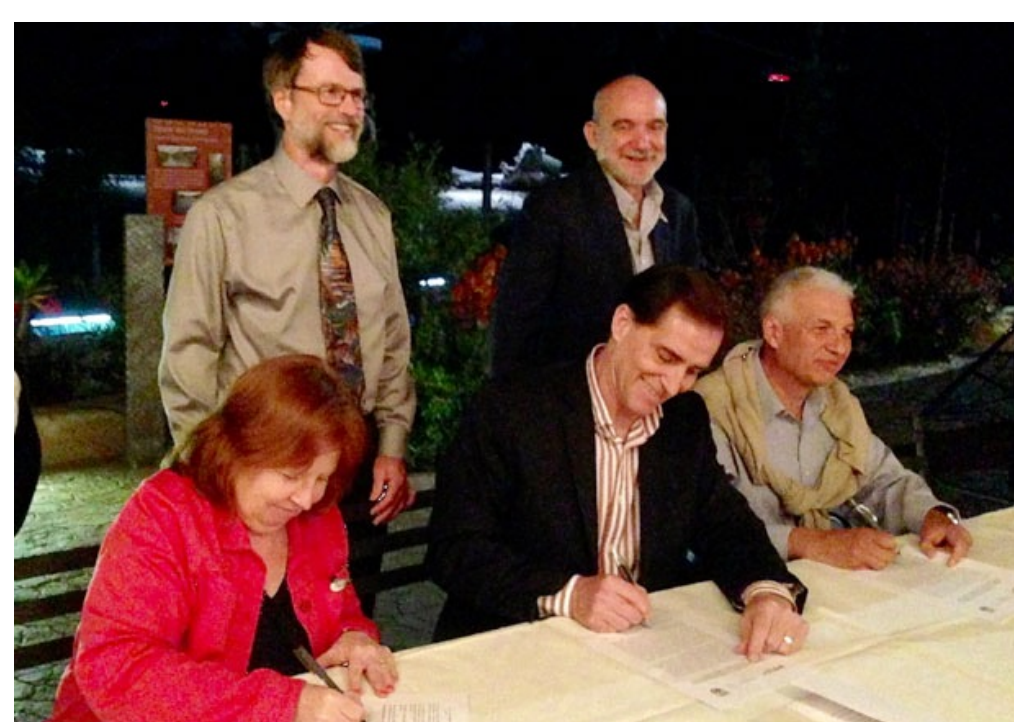


an informal alliance among federal, state/provincial & local government agencies; regional bat working groups; non-government organizations; industry; individual scientists & biologists interested in bat conservation

<https://batconservationalliance.org/>

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WHAT IS NABCA?



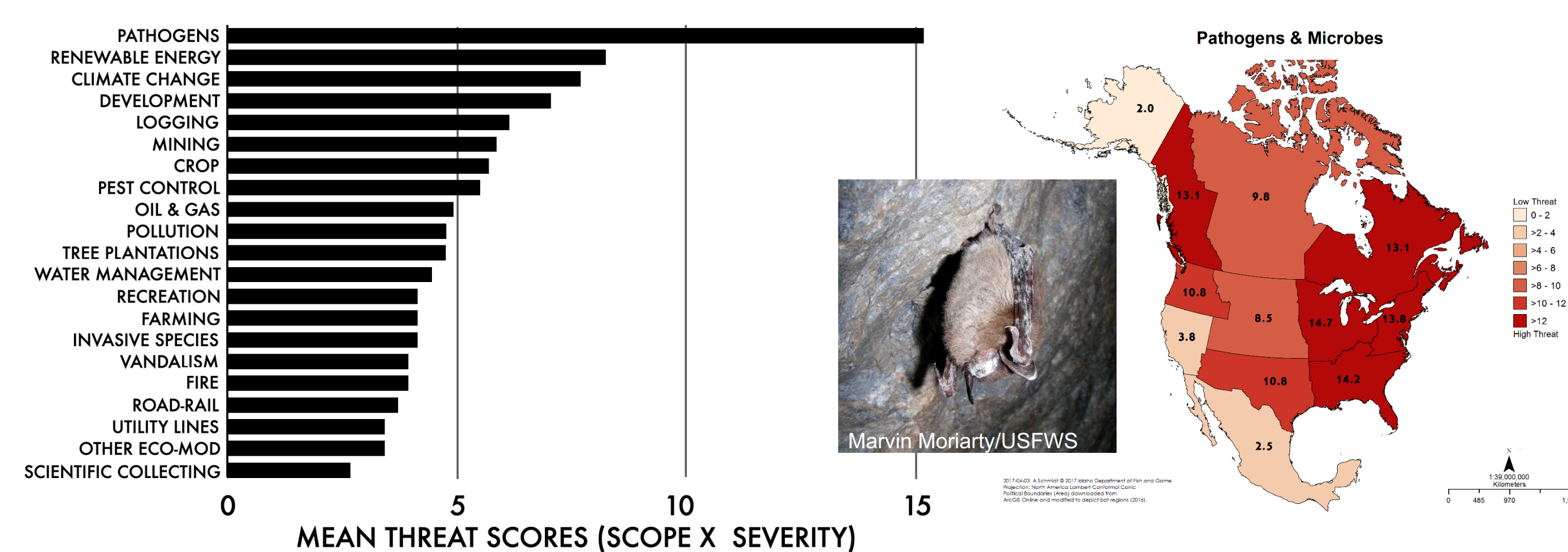
- NABCA was formed after Directors of Canadian Wildlife Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Mexican Environment and Natural Resources Department signed a Letter of Intent to collaborate on bat conservation in April 2015.
- NABCA is coordinated by a Steering Committee chaired by representatives from each of the three countries, with additional members from regional and national bat conservation and research working groups.

OUR GOAL: TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF NORTH AMERICAN BATS BY



- Strengthening communication, coordination, & cooperative efforts among Canada, the USA and Mexico.
- Compiling & sharing information relevant to bat conservation.
- Collaborating to monitor and assess the status of North American bats.
- Elevating awareness of bat conservation issues, for the benefit of bats, people & their ecosystems.

PRIORITIZATION OF THREATS TO NORTH AMERICAN BATS



194 bat conservation experts from across North America assessed conservation threats based on IUCN categories by region within North America

STATE OF NORTH AMERICAN BATS REPORT



Goal:

- Assess the conservation status of all species of bats in Canada, the USA and Mexico

Objectives:

- Determine species that may be of conservation concern
- Identify knowledge gaps regarding species' status
- Use knowledge to inform management and research efforts
- Publish a report on the State of North American Bats

Approach:

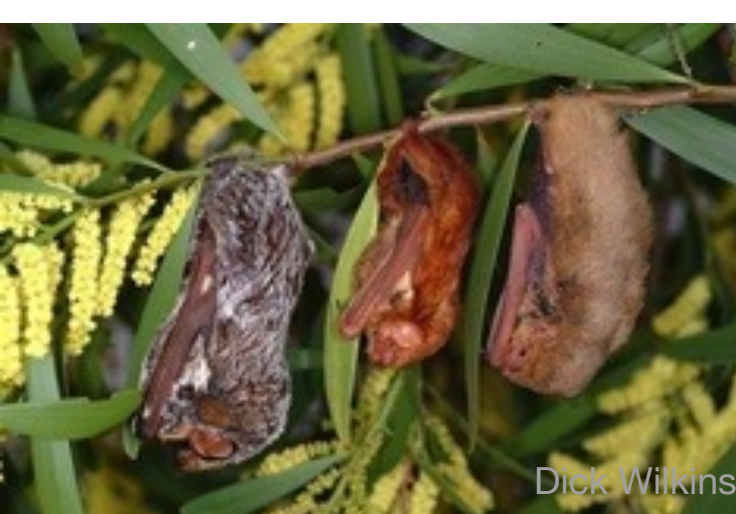
- Collaboration between NABCA, North American Bat Monitoring Program (NABAT) and Bat Conservation International (BCI)
- Using expert elicitation to assess the conservation status of North American bats using NatureServe methodology
- Held a series of country-specific expert workshops

PROJECTS

CONSERVATION ACTIONS FOR BATS

<http://batconservationalliance.wikidot.com/>

- Wiki developed to allow the bat conservation community to share and discuss practices to mitigate threats facing bats in North America
- Identify specific conservation actions linked to threats based on IUCN categories
- Anybody in the community can contribute information



HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Connect with associated working groups
- Share information on bat conservation
- Contribute to the bat conservation action Wiki page
- Participate in NABAT and Mexican bat monitoring programs



OUR STEERING COMMITTEE

Co-chairs:

Charles M. Francis (Canadian Wildlife Service)
Jeremy Coleman (United States Fish & Wildlife Service)
Rodrigo A. Medellín (Instituto de Ecología, UNAM)

Working Group & Partner representatives:

Rita Dixon (Western Bat Working Group)
Katrina Morris (Southeastern Bat Diversity Network)
Vanessa Rojas (Midwest Bat Working Group)
D. Scott Reynolds (Northeast Bat Working Group)
Jorge Ortega Reyes (Mexican Bat Conservation; Instituto Politécnico Nacional)
Jordi Segers (Canada's Interagency White-Nose Syndrome Coordinator; CWHC)
Brian Reichert (NABAT: North American Bat Monitoring Program Coordinator)

At Large Members:

CANADA: Yvonne Dzal (Simon Fraser University, Bat Conservation International)
USA: Angie McIntire (Arizona Game and Fish Department)
MEXICO: Joaquin Arroyo-Cabrales (Laboratorio de Arqueozoología)

Coordinators: Mylea Bayless & Amanda Adams (Bat Conservation International)

