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Comments: There are 3 mammalian species that I am aware of in this region that are on the endangered list. The Northern Long Eared and Indiana Bats and Timber Rattlesnake. Also as I understand there is a Indiana Bat hibernacula not too far north of which all bats are free of the white-nose syndrome.

- 1 - What measures will be taken to make sure that neither of these species are jeopardized during the work?
- 2 - Will clearing of trees be restricted to the winter months while the bats are not active?
- 3 - If clearing during active periods what will be done to protect these animals? Roosting Trees, Cavity trees, etc.
4. What will or has been conducted to see if there is a presence of either species? Mist netting, acoustic?

Thank you.

Similarly with the Timber Rattlesnake, are there any known dens in these areas? I believe they will forage for up to 2 miles from their dens.

- 1 - What will be done to protect these animals if work occurs during the snake's active periods?
- 2 - Will there be anyone on site if there is a presence during active working periods to watch for, capture and subsequently relocate and release a snake if found in an active work zone?