

MANY ANIMALS HIBERNATE INCLUDING BEARS, GROUND SQUIRRELS, HEDGEHOGS

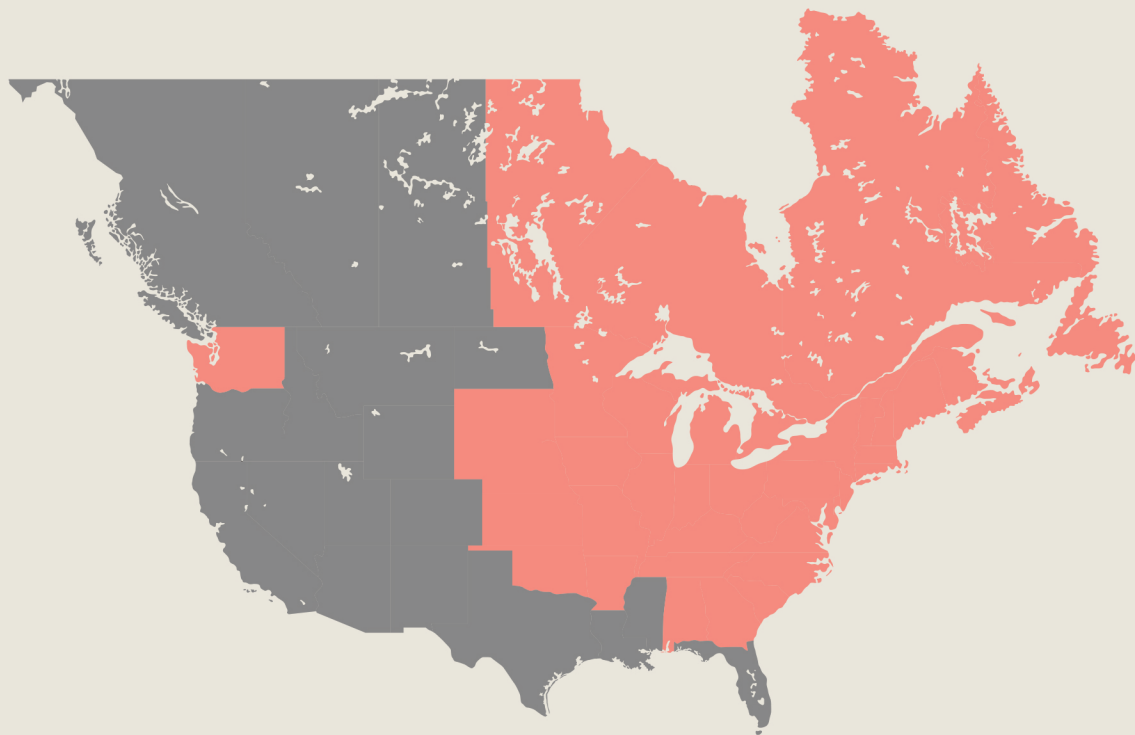
AND BATS

BUT ONLY BATS ARE DYING FROM

WHITE-NOSE SYNDROME

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WHITE-NOSE SYNDROME CURRENTLY AFFECTS AT LEAST 11 SPECIES OF HIBERNATING INSECTIVOROUS BATS, IMPACTING > 200 HIBERNACULA WITHIN 33 STATES AND SEVEN CANADIAN PROVINCES



WHITE-NOSE SYNDROME AFFECTS CAVE HIBERNATING BATS THROUGHOUT EASTERN NORTH AMERICA AND ADJACENT CANADA

7,000,000

THIS FATAL DISEASE CAUSES MASS MORTALITY AND PRECIPITOUS POPULATION DECLINES; CURRENT MORBIDITY ESTIMATES APPROACH 7 MILLION

MOST COLONIES EXPERIENCE 90-100% MORTALITY PREVIOUSLY COMMON SPECIES ARE AT RISK OF REGIONAL EXTIRPATION OR EXTINCTION



BATS WITH WHITE-NOSE SYNDROME MAY HAVE WHITE FUNGUS ON THEIR WINGS, EARS AND MUZZLES NOT ALL INDIVIDUALS EXHIBIT OBVIOUS FUNGAL GROWTH, BUT MAY EXHIBIT ABNORMAL BEHAVIOR INCLUDING FLYING OUTSIDE AT TEMPERATURES AT OR BELOW FREEZING



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BATS ARE INCREDIBLY UNIQUE AND ENDLESSLY FASCINATING MAMMALS

BATS ARE ESSENTIAL TO OUR ECOSYSTEMS AND PROVIDE CONSIDERABLE ECOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC VALUE AS INSECT PREDATORS, SEED DISPERSERS, AND POLLINATORS

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