

14TH WIND WILDLIFE RESEARCH MEETING

November 15-17, 2022

In-Person, Location TBA

Call for Abstracts

Submission Deadline: Monday, June 6, 2022

The Renewable Energy Wildlife Institute¹ (REWI) releases this Call for Abstracts for presentations at the 14th Wind Wildlife Research Meeting (WWRM). Presentation options include virtual oral presentations/panels (to be pre-recorded and viewed by attendees on-demand) and in-person poster presentations. This meeting provides an internationally recognized forum for researchers and other wind-wildlife stakeholders to hear contributed papers, view research posters, and listen to panels that synthesize the most recent wildlife research related to wind energy. This meeting is organized and presented by REWI. Attendance is open to all interested in wind-wildlife issues. WWRM is focused on North American research, but REWI welcomes abstract submissions for studies from other regions that are pertinent to wind energy in North America.

Context

The siting and operation of wind energy continues to expand in the U.S. and around the world. The science, policy, and technology related to wind energy's interactions with wildlife and wildlife habitats are also developing at a rapid pace, for both the onshore and offshore environments. Keeping abreast of these developments is critical for the wind industry and other stakeholders to ensure that siting and operational decisions are informed by best-available science.

Topics of Interest

This Call for Abstracts solicits proposals for presentations on all scientific research related to evaluating and managing the interactions of wind energy and wildlife. Submissions should focus on the application of results to wind energy development and wildlife conservation.

General topics of interest may include but are not limited to:

- Assessing direct and indirect effects, at the individual, population, or community level, on wildlife and their habitats at land-based and offshore wind energy facilities

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- Evaluating novel approaches (e.g., conceptual, methodological, technological) to assessing, avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating impacts of wind energy on birds, bats, and other wildlife, including approaches from non-wind sectors as appropriate
- Formulating effective compensatory mitigation options for offsetting effects to species from wind energy development and operation
- Applying the results of research to implement effective and practicable solutions to wind-wildlife challenges
- Considering the effects (negative and positive) of wind energy development on a landscape or regional ocean scale in the context of conservation efforts focused on resolving conflicts among multiple human activities and wildlife species

Presentation Opportunities

This meeting will offer multiple presentation formats. When submitting your abstract, you will be required to select your preferred format.

- **On-Demand Panel:** a virtual, pre-recorded panel should incorporate multiple panelists and cover a cutting-edge topic of high interest to all. The format may include 5–15-minute presentations by individual panelists and/or a moderator-facilitated panelist discussion. The total length of a panel may be 60-90 minutes. The panel will be shared with meeting attendees via the web-based meeting platform; audience Q&A will be asynchronous.
 - NOTE: This format is distinct from the panels that will be presented live and in-person at the meeting; topics for live, in-person panels are being developed by a Planning Committee. If you have ideas for live panel topics, please contact wwrm@rewi.org.
- **On-Demand Oral Presentation:** a virtual, pre-recorded oral presentation should cover the topics of interest listed in the Call for Abstracts. Presentations may be up to 15 minutes in length. The presentation will be shared with meeting attendees via the web-based meeting platform; audience Q&A will be asynchronous. For multi-author abstracts, one presenter may give the presentation and be acknowledged in the final program. Co-authors will be listed on the meeting website and proceedings.
- **In-Person Poster:** a poster presentation should cover the topics of interest listed in the Call for Abstracts. Posters will be on display in-person during the meeting, with dedicated time for poster viewing included on the meeting agenda; authors will be asked to join poster sessions in person to field questions and fuel discussions. (NOTE: In-Person attendance required)
- **In-Person Poster AND On-Demand Oral Presentation:** Submitters may maximize the visibility of their work by choosing to have both an in-person and a virtual presence at the meeting. If this option is selected, presenters must be prepared to create a pre-recorded presentation AND a poster, and plan for in-person attendance.

Submission Instructions

All submissions must include the following information:

- Presentation title (using sentence case)
- Author(s), including affiliation(s) and email address(es)
- Abstract (500-word maximum) including;
 - Research motivations and objectives, including hypotheses being tested
 - Research setting

- Methodology, statistical analyses, timeframe, and range of applicability/scope of inference
- Brief summary of results, indicating whether they are preliminary or final
- Management implications of the findings
- Preferred presentation format

Submission Deadline: Submissions will be accepted until **June 6, 2022, 11:59 pm Eastern Time**

Submission Process: Please visit <https://wurm2022.exordo.com/> and follow the instructions provided to submit abstracts. Once you've logged in, click "Submit Your Abstract Now" to get started.

Late Abstracts: Consideration of submissions received after the deadline cannot be guaranteed and will depend on the timing of submission and availability of reviewers. Please contact wurm@rewi.org with inquiries regarding late submissions.

Abstract Review and Selection Process: Acceptance of submissions is not guaranteed. Abstract selection will be based on multiple, anonymous expert reviews and adherence to meeting themes.

Criteria for Rejection:

- Not related to wind-wildlife research or management (e.g., focused strictly on policy)
- Conclusions not clearly supported by study design and results
- Primarily serves to advertise or promote a product or service

Approximate Timeline for Review and Selection Process:

- **June 6, 2022:** Abstracts due
- **August-September 2022:** Submitters notified of abstract selection or rejection
- **September 2022:** Registration for 14th WWRM opens
- **Late September 2022:** Draft agenda released

Questions?

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