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Zoology





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CNHP's Zoology Team



Jeremy Siemers
Zoologist &
Team Leader

- Bat Projects
- Vertebrate Ranking & Assessment



Rob Schorr Animal Ecologist

- Preble's & NM
 Meadow
 Jumping Mouse
- Population Ecology
- Climbers for Bat Conservation



Andrea
Schuhmann
Animal Ecologist

- Community Ecology
- Bat & Bird Projects
- Invertebrate Assessments



John Sovell
Invertebrate &
Vertebrate Zoologist

- Pawnee Montane Skipper Monitoring
- Reptile Inventory
- County Inventories



CNHP's Zoology Team





- Field Projects
- GIS and data technician



Brad
Lambert
Herpetologist

- Boreal Toad Research
- Amphibian & Reptile Inventory



Scott
Schneider
Field Zoologist

- Boreal Toad Monitoring
- Field Projects



Beth
Stevenson
Zoologist

- Bat Projects
- Natural
 Resources
 Communication
- GIS Mapping



Justin Unrein Field Zoologist

- NABat Monitoring
- Pygmy Rabbit Surveys
- Field Projects



CNHP's Zoology Team

Core Functions

- Animal Conservation Ranking and Mapping
- **Inventory** to identify new populations
- Monitoring the condition of animal populations
- Research to answer questions of conservation and management interest





Zoology Inventory

Current & Recent Inventory Projects

- Boreal Toad breeding site inventory
- Conservation easement baseline reports for City of Fort Collins
- Roaring Fork Watershed Biodiversity Assessment
- Jefferson County Inventory
 - 1993 -> 2010/11 -> 2021/22















Zoology Monitoring

Current & Recent Monitoring Projects

- Boreal Toad breeding site monitoring
- Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse population monitoring on USAFA
- Pawnee Montane Skipper (20+ years)
- White-nose Syndrome surveillance
- Reptile Monitoring on PCMS and Ft. Carson
- Bat Monitoring at Rocky Mountain NP















Zoology Research

Recent Publications









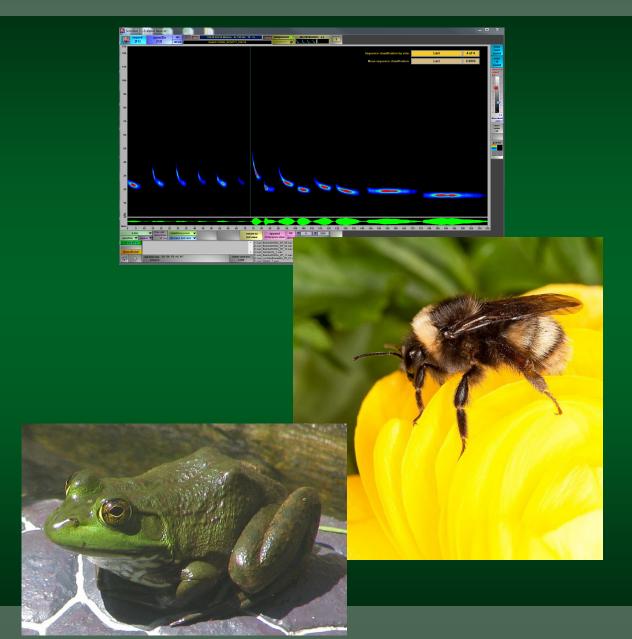


- Schorr and Siemers. 2021. Population dynamics of little brown bats (Myotis lucifugus) at summer roosts: Apparent survival, fidelity, abundance, and the influence of winter conditions. Ecology and Evolution
- **Neubaum and Siemers. 2021.** Bat swarming behavior among sites and its potential for spreading whitenose syndrome. *Ecology*
- **Reichert et al. 2021.** NABat: A top-down, bottom-up solution to collaborative continental-scale monitoring. *Ambio*
- Boreal Toad Monitoring
 - Cayuela et al. 2021. Thermal conditions predict intraspecific variation in senescence rate in frogs and toads. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*
- Butterfly Ecology With Student Co-Authors
 - **Schorr et al. 2020.** Multi-year occupancy of the hops blue butterfly (*Celastrina humulus*): habitat patch colonization and extinction. *Journal of Insect Conservation*



Zoology Future Directions

- Population estimation of rare species
 - Bats susceptible to WNS
 - Amphibians
- Bioacoustic Monitoring
 - Bird and Amphibian Surveys
- Invertebrate conservation
 - Bumble Bee monitoring
- Invasive species
 - Bullfrog and Red-eared Slider
- Disease ecology
 - White-nose Syndrome
 - Chytrid Fungus





North American Bat Monitoring Project (NABat)

- USGS-led Program
- State-wide coordination in CO with CPW & CNHP
- BLM Gunnison Field Office acoustic analysis
- Rocky Mountain National
 Park
- USFS Collaboration





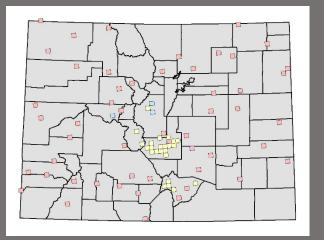


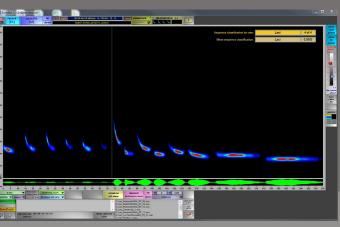






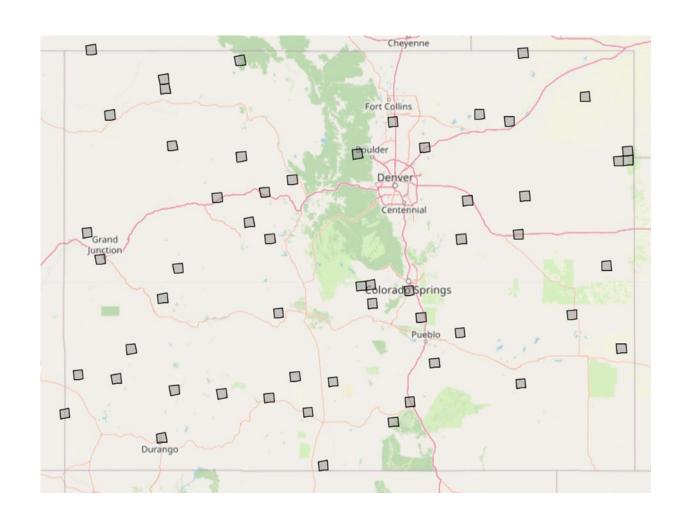


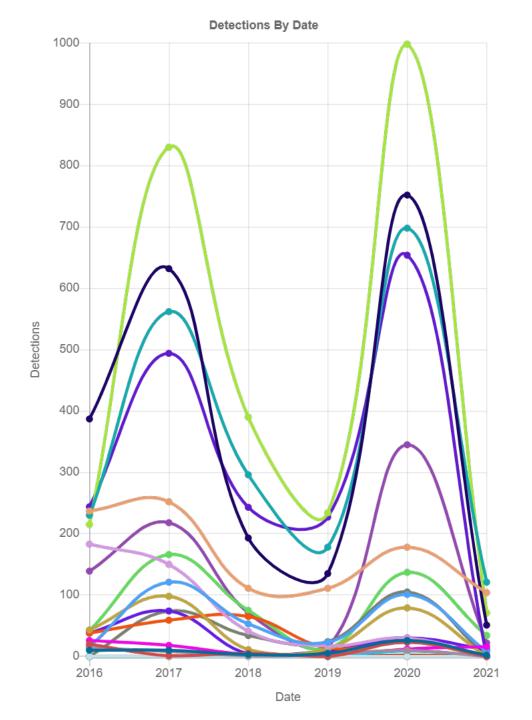






NABat Monitoring





CNHP and the PSICC

Pike and San Isabel National Forests, Comanche and Cimarron National Grasslands



With John Sovell



With Brad Lambert

