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SUBJECT: Qualified Individual for Environmental Bridge/Structure Inspections

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Section 2.3 of the [INDOT Protected Species Guidance](#) lists the minimum qualifications to perform the different levels of inspections and studies to determine the evidence of bat use of a structure and subsequent work required.

The minimum requirement to perform environmental bridge/structure inspections is the completion of the online INDOT bat field investigation training.

This training can be accessed through

<https://secure.in.gov/indot/engineering/environmental-services/environmental-services-training-calendar/>

Bat Investigations for Field Personnel

This class supports INDOT's implementation of the USFWS/FHWA/FTA/FRA programmatic informal consultation for the Indiana bat and the northern long-eared bat. The class is self-paced and online through INDOT's Training Portal. To enroll in the course, you will need an INDOT Training Portal [account](#). Once the account is created and approved, you will be able to use the Find Learning box to search for and enroll into the course.