



FLORIDA BAT WORKING GROUP
2026 ANNUAL MEETING
 April 7-8, 2026, in Micanopy, Florida

AGENDA
 (subject to updates)

Tuesday, April 7, 2026	
9:30 am	Check-in opens at Cuscowilla Lodge
10:00 am	Meeting BEGINS: Welcome and Introductions
10:30 am	Keynote Presentation
11:00 am	Update from the FLBWG, presented by the FLBWG Board of Directors
12:00 pm	FLBWG Committee Updates and Accomplishments
12:15 pm	Lunch (provided by FLBWG)
1:15 pm	Selected Presentations
1:35 pm	Building Collaborations in Committee (part A) [Topics TBD]
2:40 pm	Networking Break
3:10 pm	Selected Presentations
4:55 pm	Wrap-up, evening plans, and tomorrow's agenda
5:00 pm	Conclude Day 1
5:30 pm	Networking Social at local restaurant/brewery
Wednesday, April 8, 2026	
8:15 am	Check-in opens at Cuscowilla Lodge
8:30 am	Meeting Day 2 BEGINS: Welcome
8:35 am	Selected Presentations
9:20 am	Building Collaborations in Committee (part B) [topics TBD]
10:25 am	Networking Break
10:55 am	Selected Presentations
11:30 am	Late-breaking Lightning Updates
11:40 am	Collaborative Committee Reports and Plans for 2026
12:10 pm	Meeting Wrap-Up and Survey
12:30 pm	Meeting Adjourned



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THE MISSION OF THE FLBWG IS CONSERVING FLORIDA'S BATS THROUGH COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH, MANAGEMENT, AND EDUCATION AMONG AGENCIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND INDIVIDUALS.

LOCATION: The meeting will be held at Alachua County's [Cuscowilla Nature & Retreat Center](#), 210 SE 134 Ave, Micanopy, FL

DATES AND TIMES: We encourage everyone to attend both days of the meeting:

- Tuesday, April 7 at 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; networking social 5:30-7:30pm
- Wednesday, April 8 at 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

REGISTRATION: There will be a \$30 meeting fee for all attendees and **pre-registration is required**. Register and pay the fee by **Monday, March 23, 2026** via the [SBDN website](#); no late registrants will be accepted.

MEALS: FLBWG will provide lunch on Tuesday for all meeting attendees. Refreshments will be available at the evening social. No other meals will be provided. Coffee, tea, and snacks will be available during scheduled breaks.

LODGING: Shared lodging is available for meeting attendees at Cuscowilla for Tuesday night. Basic cabins have A/C, heat, full bathroom, mini-fridge and microwave. Cabins will be shared among 2-4 people and FLBWG will match roommates. Advanced reservation and payment is required (\$15 per person) by **March 23, 2026** via the [SBDN website](#); no late registrants will be accommodated.

NETWORKING SOCIAL: On Tuesday evening, there will be a networking social in Gainesville at a local restaurant/brewery TBA from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Refreshments will be available. UF Bat House emergence is around 8PM if you would like to visit on your own!

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION AND PRESENTATIONS:

This annual meeting is an opportunity to share resources and form collaborations. We encourage *everyone* to share information on your current projects, future plans, enlightening incites, and other bat resources. This is the time to submit your proposal for a presentation (10-30 minutes) or a lightning talk (3-4 minutes). [Submit your abstract here](#) by **Sunday, March 15, 2026**.

HELP NEEDED ON THE 2026 MEETING PLANNING COMMITTEE:

If you can help with the 2026 meeting planning; email flbwg.meeting@gmail.com

MORE INFORMATION: Florida Bat Working Group website: <https://www.flbwg.net/>. If you have ANY questions or problems with registration, please email flbatwg@gmail.com.