PROGRAM FOR BCPA VIRTUAL SUMMIT
OCT 29 - 30, 2025

(All times are listed as EDT)

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Day 1: Oct 29

12:00 – 12:10   Opening Remarks

    Bryan Lenz, American Bird Conservancy (ABC)

12:10 – 12:40   Plenary: Dark Skies for Everyone

    Michael Rymer, DarkSky International

12:40 – 1:40   Session 1: The economic case for bird-friendly building design

    (Leora Radetsky, moderator)

 12:40-12:55 "*Social enterprise models for treating glass*"
      - Brendon Samuels, Fatal Light Awareness Program, (FLAP) Canada

 12:55-1:10 *"Catalysing biodiversity on buildings"*
      - JD Brown, Second Nature Ecology + Design

 1:10-1:25 *"Misconceptions of the Cost of Adding Bird Safe Glass to New Construction"*
      - Mark Toth, Skyline Architects

 1:25 - 1:40 Q & A

1:40 – 2:25   Session 2: The Social Science of glass and lights

    (Tina Phillips, moderator)

 1:40 - 1:55 "*Stopping collisions starts at home: Residents' perceptions, preferences, and purchases for bird-safe windows*"
      - Shelby Carlson, Cornell Lab of Ornithology

 1:55 – 2:10 *"Let there be light? Public differences in light pollution mitigation strategies"*
      - Cheyenne Black, University of Oklahoma, Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis

2:10 – 2:25   Q & A

2:25 – 2:35   **BREAK**

2:35 – 3:35   **Session 3: Managing Bird Collision Monitoring Programs**

(Michael Mesure, moderator)

2:35 – 2:50   *"Creating and managing an impactful bird collision monitoring program"*
- Katherine Chen, NYC Bird Alliance

2:50 – 3:05   *"Reflections of a collision monitor: 11 Seasons documenting window strikes in NYC"*
- Melissa Breyer, NYC Bird Alliance

3:05 – 3:20   *"Maximizing the scientific utility of museum specimens from collision monitoring"*
- Benjamin Winger, University of Michigan Museum of Zoology

3:20 – 3:35   Q & A

3:35 – 4:20   **Session 4: Databases for Monitoring and Data Collection**

(Tim O'Connell, moderator)

3:35 – 3:50   *"Why are North American birds declining?"*
- Simon Tye, University of Arkansas

3:50 – 4:05   *"Make every collision count: Tools, programs, and opportunities for improving data collection and reporting"*
- Kaitlyn Parkins, American Bird Conservancy

4:05 – 4:20   Q& A

4:20 – 4:30   **Day 1 Wrap Up (Tina Phillips)**

4:30 – 5:00   **Optional Break Out Rooms from DAY 1 Sessions***

(1) Economic Costs
(2) Social Science
(3) Managing Collision Monitoring Programs
(4) Databases for Monitoring & Data Collection

*(*It is hoped that presenters stay for the optional break out rooms; Session moderators serve as note takers for each breakout session)*

Day 2: Oct 30

12:00 – 12:15   **Opening Remarks**

          Tina Phillips, Cornell Lab of Ornithology

12:15 – 12:45   **Plenary - BirdCast: Large-scale migration information for dynamic conservation**

          Adriaan Dokter, Cornell Lab of Ornithology

12:45 – 1:30   **Session 5: Lighting Policy, Guidelines, and Innovation**

          (Mark Grosz, moderator)

12:45-1:00   *"Bird-Safe nights on a budget: Lighting policies and guidelines that may* cut collisions and costs"*
- Leora Radetsky, DesignLights Consortium

1:00-1:15   *"Better outdoor lighting choices aren't just for the birds"*
- Scott Lind, Kickapoo Valley Dark Sky Initiative

1:15-1:30   *Q & A*

1:30 – 2:15   **Session 6: Curricula for Bird Safe Buildings**

          (Cady Netland, moderator)

1:30 - 1:45   *"Lights Out, Texas! Curriculum: Inspiring stewardship through inquiry-based learning"*
- Hannah Lederman, Texas Conservation Alliance

1:45 – 2:00   *"Teaching the crisis: Reflections on a feral pedagogy"*
Richard Fadok, Rochester Institute of Technology

2:00 – 2:15   Q & A

2:15 – 2:30   **BREAK**

2:30 – 3:15   **Session 7: Window Deterrent Technology**

          (Kaitlyn Parkins, moderator)

2:30 – 2:45   *"One Size Does Not Fit All: What's Important When Selecting Glass & Deterrents."*
- Alex Sobolev, Guardian Glass

2:45 – 3:00   *"Industry, research and advocacy perspectives on collision deterrent marker spacing"*
- Paul Groleau, Feather Friendly Inc. and Brendon Samuels, FLAP Canada

3:00 – 3:15   *Q & A*

3:15 – 3:45   **Share Your Success Stories!**

(Brendon Samuels, moderator)

OPEN DISCUSSION, Whiteboard enabled, All invited

3:45 – 4:00   **Day 2 Wrap Up (Kaitlyn Parkins)**

4:00 – 4:30   **Optional Break Out Rooms from DAY 2 topics***

(1) Lighting Policy & Innovations
(2) Curricula
(3) Window Deterrent Tech

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