



August 2022

### Announcements

1. We will be hosting our next **Webinar Presentation on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 11 AM EST! Dr. Sarah Fritts from Texas State University will be presenting “Attract and deter: Are olfactory cues attracting bats to wind turbines and can ultrasonic deterrents discourage bats from the danger zones?”** Zoom login information will be sent to membership via email.
2. Elections are fast approaching and the following positions are up for grabs! An election application is attached to the membership email. Please fill out and email the REWG at our email address below. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions about the position(s):
  - **Member-at-large** – This is a three-year term position. Responsibilities include participating in all Executive Board meetings (1-hour long meeting per month) and acting as a representative of the general membership.
  - **Treasurer** – This is a two-year term position. Responsibilities include participating in all Executive Board meetings (1-hour long meeting per month); the receipt and disbursement of membership dues and other funds; preparing and submitting an annual financial report; and preparing an annual budget.
3. We are still seeking members to actively participate in various committees. Please email the REWG at our new email address below to learn more or if you are interested in volunteering!
4. **TWS REWG has a Youtube Channel!** Our webinar series presentations are now on our Youtube Channel found [here!](#) These will be uploaded monthly so be sure to subscribe so you don't miss anything!

### Research and News Highlights

- [Budget reconciliation bill was just passed](#) ! The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 includes \$369 billion in renewable energy, environmental justice programs, old-growth forest protections and other measures. Additionally, the bill contains tax credits to encourage clean energy production, domestic clean energy manufacturing, and consumer incentives for energy efficiency and electric vehicles.
- [Federal agencies announce two new reports to restore salmon and steelhead populations](#) in the Columbia River Basin. The study on long-term pathways for the Columbia River basin include power production scenarios and associated costs with replacing power generated by four Federal dams with emerging energy technologies.
- [The Biden-Harris Administration is proposing a budget of \\$2.0 billion](#) for Fiscal Year 2023 to fund the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's principal resource management and conservation programs that support the Administration's priorities including climate change resiliency and deploying clean energy.

### Career Opportunities

- [Clean Energy Transmission Policy Specialist](#) for National Wildlife Federation in Washington, DC
- [Senior Policy Analyst for Offshore Wind and Wildlife](#) for Defenders of Wildlife

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Have announcements, research, news, or any renewable energy information you'd like to share with the REWG? Please email us at [tws.renewableenergyworkinggroup@gmail.com](mailto:tws.renewableenergyworkinggroup@gmail.com)

For Executive/Member meeting minutes, calendar of events, and other news, visit our official website [Renewable Energy Working Group - THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY](#)



- [Lead Biologist for Bureau of Ocean Energy Management](#) Office of Renewable Energy Programs in Virginia.
- Always remember to check the [TWS Job Board](#) for new opportunities!

### **Upcoming Conferences**

- REWI: Solar Power and Wildlife/Natural resources Symposium; Virtual; December 1-3: [REWI Symposium](#)
- The Wildlife Society Annual Conference 2022; Spokane, WA; November 6-10: [TWS Annual Conference](#)
- Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; 14th Wind Wildlife Research Meeting; Kansas City, Missouri; November 15-17: [Wind Wildlife Research Meeting](#)