

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife debunks bat myths

In an effort to debunk myths about bats and teach Oregonians about the state's bat species, Oregon Department of

Fish and Wildlife staff have produced a new fact sheet. Designed for kids, it provides a description and photograph of

each of Oregon's 15 bat species and some ideas of how kids can help. The flyer, Batty for Bats, is available on ODFW's website at http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/living_with/bats.asp

"There are a number of things that people can do to

help bats – from building bat houses to leaving snags or dead trees on their property to serve as roosts," said Andrea Hanson, ODFW Strategy Species Coordinator. "One of the most important things that kids can do is to learn about bats so they understand their

importance."

Fun Facts about Oregon's Bats:

- Oregon's bats eat only insects. An adult bat eats about 1,000 insects every hour!

- Bats hang upside down because it gives them an ideal position for take-off.

- Bats can fly 20 to 30 miles an hour and travel more than 100 miles a night.

- A baby bat is called a pup. Young bats begin to fly between two and five weeks of age.

- Bats are the only flying mammal.

Eight of Oregon's 15 bats are identified in the Oregon Conservation Strategy as species in need of help. To find more information about distribution, habitat and conservation actions that will help bats, see the Summaries of Strategy Species section of the Oregon Conservation Strategy on ODFW's website, http://www.dfw.state.or.us/conservation_strategy/read_the_strategy.asp

Additional information about "Living with Bats" is also available on the ODFW website, http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/living_with/bats.asp



The Townsend's big-eared bat. Photo by Don Albright.

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