

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PENNSYLVANIA IMPORTANT MAMMAL AREA #15</b> <b>Salisbury Mine</b></p>
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**COUNTY(IES)** Somerset

**APPROX. SIZE** 50,031 acres

**OWNERSHIP** Private

**REASON FOR SELECTION**

- Supports significant populations of species or subspecies with specific habitat requirements
- Contains a rare, threatened, or unique habitat type important to mammals
- Sustains a confirmed viable local population of a Species of Greatest Conservation Need and the species or subspecies regularly occurs at the site during one or more seasons

**DESCRIPTION**

Located near the Maryland state line and the town of Salisbury, the site is an abandoned limestone mine surrounded by mature oak-maple forest. Temperatures in the mine range from 38<sup>0</sup>-52<sup>0</sup> F.

**MAMMAL NOTES**

Yearly hibernacula surveys (since 1986) have recorded all six colonial bat species: eastern small-footed myotis, little brown myotis, northern myotis, Indiana myotis, tri-colored bat (eastern pipistrelle), big brown bat. Estimates suggest approximately 1500 bats occupy this site.

**CONSERVATION NOTES**

Salisbury Mine is gated. White Nose Syndrome threatens resident bat populations.