



# Illinois ENDANGERED & THREATENED SPECIES



## Rafinesque's big-eared bat *Corynorhinus rafinesquii* [state endangered]

Rafinesque's big-eared bat may be found in the southern one-third of Illinois. It lives in trees, abandoned buildings, mines and caves. These bats eat insects. It flies late at night and is a fast flyer. Rafinesque's big-eared bats hibernate in mines and caves in southern Illinois. In the summer, these bats gather in colonies of less than 30 individuals.

### Reasons for Concern

- human disturbance
- vandalization of caves
- bats ingesting insecticides from their prey



Permanent

