

# Virginia Safe Wildlife Corridors Collaborative

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## About Us

Partners of the Virginia Safe Wildlife Corridors Collaborative are committed to protecting people and wildlife by reducing animal-vehicle conflicts and improving safe wildlife passage.

We do this by collaboratively identifying and implementing innovative solutions to address human safety, wildlife conservation, and habitat connectivity concerns. We believe in taking a multidisciplinary and multi-stakeholder approach to solving complex transportation and ecological problems along Virginia roads.



Fencing along I-64 was recently added to guide wildlife toward existing underpasses and keep them off the road. Credit: Bridget Donaldson, VDOT



A mother black bear and her cubs look out over I-64 near Afton Mountain. Credit: VDOT

## What Will We Do?

We hope to solve some of the most pressing issues involving Virginia's transportation and ecological systems. Together, we will:

- Share information and research
- Identify research gaps and needs
- Locate animal-vehicle collision hotspots
- Educate and build support for road mitigation strategies to protect people and wildlife
- Recognize important areas for habitat connectivity
- Work towards implementing new wildlife over/underpasses across roads
- Enhance existing underpasses for wildlife use

As a new collaborative we are eager to partner with anyone committed to our mission. To learn more or get involved, contact [VSWCC@gmail.com](mailto:VSWCC@gmail.com)

