

# DIAMONDBACK TERRAPIN WORKING GROUP

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL MEETING



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH  
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM



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# CALL FOR ABSTRACTS AND SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

## Diamondback Terrapin Working Group Southeast Regional Meeting —Virtual—

*5 November 2021*

**Hosted by Turtle Survival Alliance and Georgia Southern University**

The Diamondback Terrapin Working Group will hold their Southeast Regional meeting virtually on Friday, November 5, 2021, from 5 - 8 PM Eastern Standard Time.<sup>1</sup> All DTWG members and project/program-affiliated students, research technicians, and collaborators are welcome to attend. This meeting will be restricted to annual project and program updates and the sharing of research, conservation, outreach, and significant findings from the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

For those wishing to present, these instructions are provided to assist authors in preparing their abstracts for oral dissemination. **Please review this information carefully.** Abstracts for this year's virtual Meeting are due no later than **Monday, October 11, 2021**. You should receive confirmation of receipt of your submission via email - if you do not, please contact Jordan Gray at [jgray@turtlesurvival.org](mailto:jgray@turtlesurvival.org).

### General Information

1. The abstract must be written in English.
2. Deadline: abstracts **MUST BE RECEIVED** no later than **October 11, 2021**.
3. Online abstract submission is required.
4. All accepted abstracts for presentation will be included in the Program and Abstracts eBook that will be available to all participants.

### Content of the Abstract

1. Abstracts are limited to 350 words (excluding title and author(s) information).
2. Title –Use **Bold Font, Capitalize Major Words, and Center the Title**.
3. Author(s) full first and last name. **USE BOLD FONT AND SMALL CAPS**.
4. Author affiliation should be annotated with superscript numbers where necessary. *Do not bold contact information, please use italics.*
5. Place the email address of presenting or corresponding author in *italicized [square brackets]*.
6. Body of abstract: purpose of the study, methods used, summary of the results and conclusion reached. Do not indent, use Times New Roman font.
7. Be clear and concise, the abstract is the “published” record of your work.
8. References and credits **MUST NOT** be included in the abstract.
9. Abstracts **MUST NOT** include tables or figures.
10. Abstracts **MUST NOT** include sensitive information.
11. Use standard abbreviations in parentheses after the full word or phrase the first time it appears.
12. An abstract should not include acknowledgments.

13. Abstracts will be published as submitted. Proof and edit your submission accordingly.<sup>2</sup>
14. Save your abstract file as “Last Name\_First Name\_State” e.g. Kathryn\_Craven\_Georgia.doc, and upload it HERE: <https://bit.ly/DTWGSERegional>

Sample abstract:

**Turtle Commerce: Understanding the Domestic and International Trade in Spotted, Wood, and Blanding’s Turtles**

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The globalization of the trade in wildlife has increased species demand and quantity, adding to the multitude of anthropogenic pressures already impacting wild populations. Although protected by local, regional, national, and international legislature, agreements, and treaties, a dynamic global marketplace utilizing new and evolving market technologies continues to circumvent these conservation measures. Among the herpetofauna traded in this marketplace, *Testudines* represent the most commonly kept order. Of the 469 terminal taxa of chelonian, representing 94 genera, the emydid turtles remain a commonly traded group of turtles in the United States and internationally. Of this family, the Spotted Turtle (*Clemmys guttata*) and North American Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*) continue to maintain global popularity in the pet trade, while the Blanding’s Turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*) experiences little demand in this marketplace. The trade in all three species is governed by Appendix II of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), and are protected from commercial collection in every state and province in which they are native. Of the three, the Spotted Turtle may be at greatest threat from poaching at the species level due to inconsistencies in its protection status. However, unique populations of Wood Turtle may experience a high level of threat on account of their natural history involving obligatory aqueous brumation. The dynamic trade in chelonians poses an extirpation threat to local and regional populations, places an increased burden on wildlife agencies and their cooperating organizations and private contractors, and undermines protective environmental legislation. New stop-gap and long-term solutions must be devised, coordinated, and implemented to ensure the survival of these taxa at the local, regional, and national population levels.

If you have any questions, please contact Jordan Gray [jgray@turtlesurvival.org](mailto:jgray@turtlesurvival.org). Thank you for your interest!

*1. Due to the nature of virtual presentations, please be prepared for the meeting to potentially run longer than the allocated time.*

*2. The DTWG Southeast Regional Representative reserves the right to copy-edit abstracts if necessary.*

**Diamondback Terrapin Working Group**  
**Southeast Regional Meeting Zoom Invitation Link**

Jordan Gray - Turtle Survival Alliance is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: DTWG Southeast Regional Meeting

Time: Nov 5, 2021 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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