

BATWEEK

Be a Bat Hero!

BatWeek is an annual celebration of bats during the weeks leading up to Halloween. Bat-focused activities take place across the United States and Canada, both in person, and online through social media. Find out more at batweek.org.



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How to Get Involved

Agaves are an essential source of food and habitat for several migratory bat species. Producing tequila and mezcal requires harvesting the agaves before they flower, thereby reducing available nectar for the bats. Bat Conservation International (BCI) is leading a new initiative to sustainably feed bats and restore their natural habitat. Join volunteers from Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita operations and BCI in planting native agaves to benefit these important bats!

- **WHAT:** Agave Planting Event
- **WHEN:** Thursday, October 18, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
- **WHAT TO BRING:** Hats, sunscreen, water, gloves and sturdy closed toed shoes or boots. Snacks will be provided.
- **WHERE:** West Desert Trails entrance gate at Trail 340 and 337
- **DIRECTIONS:** From Interstate 19 & Esperanza Blvd.
 - Drive west on Esperanza Blvd.
 - Turn right on North Desert Bell Dr.
 - Turn Left on Golden Desert Way
 - The West Desert Trails gate is located at the end of Golden Desert Way

Please contact Tamra Baxter at 520-393-2711 for more information.



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