

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR



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Cooper Sykes will graduate in May 2024 with a Bachelor of Arts in Environmental and Sustainability Studies and Bachelor of Science in Geography and minors in German and Water Resources Science, Policy, and Management. He strives to be a part of creating a more sustainable and just world, with passions in mapping environmental data and contamination utilizing geographic information systems (GIS) through a critical geographic lens. In his career thus far, Cooper has created geospatial representations of research on persistent pollutants from Dr. Marta Venier's Hites Laboratory, generated an ArcGIS web app containing crowdsourced data about roadkill in Indiana from the Indiana Nature Facebook Group, and served on the GeoPFAS and AFOMap teams at the US EPA. Outside of the classroom, Cooper loves classical music, playing the saxophone, cats, and smiling. Cooper hopes to work as a geospatial scientist in the environmental field as he continues his career.



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