

**Table S1:** AICc model selection (top 5 models + null model) of the global model  $\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength} + \text{moon phase} + \text{min temperature}$ , where ODBA refers to mean 24-hr wildcat activity. The models included in the final model average are marked in bold.

Model notation	df	LogLik	AICc	$\Delta\text{AICc}$	AICw
<b><math>\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength} + \text{moon phase} + \text{min temperature}</math></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-6229.43</b>	<b>12471</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.536</b>
<b><math>\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength} + \text{min temperature}</math></b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-6230.59</b>	<b>12471.3</b>	<b>0.29</b>	<b>0.464</b>
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength} + \text{moon phase}$	5	-6239.29	12488.6	17.69	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength}$	4	-6240.46	12489	18	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{moon phase} + \text{min temperature}$	5	-6249.75	12509.6	38.61	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0$ (null model)	3	-6252.74	12511.5	40.54	0

Random effect (individual animal) was kept identical in all GLMM models.

**Table S2:** AICc model selection (top 5 models + null model) of the global model  $\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{daylength} + \text{rain} + \text{min temperature}$ , where ODBA refers to mean nighttime wildcat activity (6:30pm – 6:30am). The models included in the final model average are marked in bold.

Model notation	df	LogLik	AICc	$\Delta\text{AICc}$	AICw
<b><math>\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{day length} + \text{min temperature}</math></b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-6841.76</b>	<b>13693.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.733</b>
<b><math>\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{day length} + \text{rain} + \text{min temperature}</math></b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-6841.76</b>	<b>13695.6</b>	<b>2.03</b>	<b>0.266</b>
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{min temperature}$	4	-6849.96	13708	14.37	0.001
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{rain} + \text{min temperature}$	5	-6849.36	13708.8	15.21	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{precipitation}$	4	-6872.53	13753.1	59.52	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0$ (null model)	4	-6875.05	13758.2	64.56	0

Random effect (individual animal) was kept identical in all GLMM models.

**Table S3:** AICc model selection (top 5 models + null model) of the global model  $\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \% \text{ forest} + \% \text{ forest}^2 + \text{darkness} + \% \text{ forest} * \text{darkness}$ , where ODBA refers to mean nighttime wildcat activity (6:30pm – 6:30am). The best model used is marked in bold.

Model notation	df	LogLik	AICc	$\Delta\text{AICc}$	AICw
<b><math>\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \% \text{ forest} + \% \text{ forest}^2 + \text{darkness} + \% \text{ forest} * \text{darkness}</math></b>	7	<b>-261520.4</b>	<b>5230054.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \% \text{ forest} + \text{darkness} + \% \text{ forest} * \text{darkness}$	6	-261561.8	523135.6	80.81	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \% \text{ forest} + \% \text{ forest}^2 + \text{darkness}$	6	-261568.1	523148.3	93.51	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \% \text{ forest} + \text{darkness}$	5	-261604.8	523219.6	164.77	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0 + \text{darkness}$	4	-261614.3	523236.6	181.78	0
$\log(\text{ODBA}) = \beta_0$ (null model)	3	-262313/1	524632.2	1577.39	0

Random effect (individual animal) was kept identical in all GLMM models.

**Table S4:** Model estimates and significance of the environmental variables predicting wildcat at non-resting points, as measured in ODBA (mean ODBA value for a period of 15 min before and after the GPS record)) ( $R^2=0.074$ )

Variables	Estimate	SE	df	t-value	$\text{Pr}( >  z  )$
intercept ( $\beta_0$ )	3610.0	156.2	4.324	23.117	<0.0001
% forest	-2704.7	212.4	27614.361	-12.736	<0.0001
% forest <sup>2</sup>	2351.8	258.1	27708.222	9.112	<0.0001
darkness	872.2	39.6	28241.937	22.023	<0.0001
% forest*darkness	1444.8	147.7	28241.097	9.781	<0.0001