

**South Texas Border Chapter Texas Master Naturalist Program
Regular Volunteer Sites, Organizations, and Citizen Science projects
with approved hours**



SITES

- Butterfly Gardens
 - Oleander Acres Garden, Mission
 - St. George Butterfly Garden, Pharr
- CampRIO at Lula Sams, Brownsville (IDEA Public Schools)
- Coastal Studies Laboratory
- Community Parks (Trails and Native Plant Gardens)
- Frontera Audubon, Weslaco
- Gardening Clubs (when working with native landscapes & native plants)
- Gladys Porter Zoo, Brownsville
- Hugh Ramsey Nature Park, Harlingen (aka Arroyo Colorado World Birding Center)
- McAllen Nature Center
- Museum of South Texas History (MOST) native plant garden
- South Texas Refuge Complex, U.S. Fish and Wildlife
 - Lower Rio Grande Valley National Wildlife Refuge, including:
 - La Sal del Rey, Edinburg; Yturria Brush Tract, Sullivan City
 - NWR Native Plant Nursery, Donna;
 - Any other U.S. Fish and Wildlife locale in our 3-county LRGV area
 - Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge, Los Fresnos
 - Santa Ana Wildlife Refuge, Donna
- North American Butterfly Association (NABA): National Butterfly Center, Mission
- Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park, Brownsville
- Port Isabel/South Padre Island (SPI) Shell Club
- Sabal Palm Sanctuary, Brownsville
- South Texas Master Gardener Educational Garden, San Juan (native plant areas)
- Texas Parks and Wildlife (TPW)
 - Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park, Mission
 - Estero Llano State Park, Weslaco
 - Falcon State Park, Roma
 - Resaca de la Palma State Park, Brownsville
- Valley Nature Center, Weslaco
- World Birding Centers www.worldbirdingcenter.org/
 - Bentsen-Rio Grande Valley State Park, Mission
 - Edinburg Scenic Wetlands
 - Estero Llano Grande, Weslaco
 - Harlingen Arroyo Colorado (aka Hugh Ramsey Park)
 - Old Hidalgo Pumphouse, Hidalgo
 - Quinta Mazatlan, McAllen
 - Resaca de la Palma, Brownsville
 - Roma Bluffs
 - South Padre Island Birding and Nature Center

ORGANIZATIONS

- Arroyo Colorado Audubon Society (ACAS)
- Arroyo Colorado Conservancy
- Association of Nature Center Administrators (ANCA)
- Coastal Naturalist Activities including Red Tide Rangers
- Native Plant Project (NPP)
- Ocean Trust
- Rio Grande Delta Audubon
- Rio Grande Valley Birding Festival
- Sea Life, Inc.
- Sea Turtle, Inc. (STI)
- Surfrider Foundation, South Texas Chapter
- Texas AgriLife Extension
- Texas Colleges and Universities
- Texas Schools
- The Nature Conservancy (TNC)
- The Turtle Lady Legacy (TTLL)
- Valley Land Fund
- Valley Proud

CITIZEN SCIENCE PROJECTS FOR iNATURALIST AND eBIRD

FR: iNaturalist (includes Texas Nature Trackers Projects)

- BioBlitzes, including but not limited to: City Nature Challenge, Texas Pollinator Bioblitz
- Bentsen - Rio Grande Valley State Park, TPWD – www.inaturalist.org/projects/bentsen-rio-grande-valley-state-park-tpwd
- Biodiversity of Oleander Acres – www.inaturalist.org/projects/biodiversity-of-oleander-acres
- Edinburg Scenic Wetlands & World Birding Center – www.inaturalist.org/projects/edinburg-scenic-wetlands-world-birding-center
- Estero Llano Grande State Park, TPWD – www.inaturalist.org/projects/estero-llano-grande-state-park-tpwd
- Falcon State Park, TPWD – www.inaturalist.org/projects/falcon-state-park-tpwd
- McAllen Nature Center – www.inaturalist.org/projects/mcallen-nature-center-0190339e-ed5-4ac5-8c57-a7294fad2346
- National Butterfly Center – www.inaturalist.org/projects/national-butterfly-center
- South Padre Island Birding and Nature Center – www.inaturalist.org/projects/south-padre-island-birding-and-nature-center

- STBC-TMN Pollinator Garden at St. George's – www.inaturalist.org/projects/stbc-tmn-pollinator-garden-at-st-george-s
- All Texas Nature [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/all-texas-nature
- Arachnids (Class Arachnida) Found in Texas - Nature Field Guide – www.inaturalist.org/projects/arachnids-class-arachnida-found-in-texas-nature-field-guide
- Arachnids of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/arachnids-of-texas
- Bats in Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/bats-in-texas
- Bees and Wasps of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/bees-and-wasps-of-texas
- Beetles of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/beetles-of-texas
- Biodiversity of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/biodiversity-of-texas
- Biodiversity of Texas: A Citizen-Science Project – www.inaturalist.org/projects/biodiversity-of-texas-a-citizen-science-project
- Biological Interactions of the RGV – www.inaturalist.org/projects/biological-interactions-of-the-rgv
- Birds of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/birds-of-texas
- Brown Pelicans of South Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/brown-pelicans-of-south-texas
- Butterflies of the LRGV – www.inaturalist.org/projects/butterflies-of-the-lrgv
- Cacti of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/cacti-of-texas
- Fishes of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/fishes-of-texas
- Fungi of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/fungi-of-texas
- Herps of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/herps-of-texas
- Hummingbirds of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/hummingbirds-of-texas
- Lepidoptera of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lepidoptera-of-texas
- Lower Rio Grande Valley Wildlife – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lower-rio-grande-valley-wildlife
- LRGV Monarchs (eggs) – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lrgv-monarchs-eggs
- LRGV Monarchs (pupae) – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lrgv-monarchs-pupae
- LRGV Monarchs (caterpillars) – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lrgv-monarchs-caterpillars

- LRGV Monarchs (adults) – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lrgv-monarchs-adults
 - LRGV Phenology - Flowers – www.inaturalist.org/projects/lrgv-phenology-flowers
 - Mammals of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/mammals-of-texas
 - Moths of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/moths-of-texas
 - Mushrooms of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/mushrooms-of-texas
 - Plants of the Lower Rio Grande Valley – www.inaturalist.org/projects/plants-of-the-lower-rio-grande-valley
 - Quinta Mazatlan Wildlife – www.inaturalist.org/projects/quinta-mazatlan-wildlife
 - Rare Plants of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/rare-plants-of-texas
 - Red-crowned Parrot Project [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/red-crowned-parrot-project
 - Skunks of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/skunks-of-texas
 - Sphingids of Texas [Sphinx Moths] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/sphingids-of-texas
 - Terrestrial Mollusks of Texas [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/terrestrial-mollusks-of-texas
 - Texas Ants – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-ants
 - Texas Endemic Species – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-endemic-species
 - Texas Freshwater Mussels [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] – www.inaturalist.org/projects/terrestrial-mollusks-of-texas
 - Texas Invasives – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-invasives
 - Texas Invertebrate Species of Conservation Need – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-invertebrate-species-of-conservation-need
 - Texas Milkweeds and Monarchs – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-milkweeds-and-monarchs
 - Texas Tortoise Survey – www.inaturalist.org/projects/texas-tortoise-survey
 - The Insects of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-insects-of-texas
 - The Reptiles of Texas – www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-reptiles-of-texas
 - US / Mexico Border Naturalists – www.inaturalist.org/projects/us-mexico-border-naturalists
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FR: eBird formal surveys

- Great Backyard Bird Count (Feb. 12-15, 2021)
- Surveys conducted routinely/periodically at Area Nature Centers/Sites, e.g. Quinta Mazatlan, under direction of staff

FR: eBird informal surveys & birdwatching See opportunity description

FR: Citizen Science Project at Area Nature Centers/Sites**National/regional Birding Surveys**

- Audubon Christmas Bird Count (Dec. 14, 2020 – Jan. 5, 2021)
- USGS Breeding Bird Survey (usually in June)
- Project FeederWatch (Nov. 14, 2020 – April 9, 2021)
- Project NestWatch (nesting season)
- Audubon's Climate Watch (Jan. 15 – Feb. 15, 2021)
- Audubon's Hummingbirds at Home
- Great Texas Birding Classic (usually in spring)

Other Citizen Science Projects:

- CoCoRaHS (up to 2 hrs/month)
- Red Crowned Parrot Count (quarterly)
[if reporting personal observations apart from this quarterly count, use Red-crowned Parrot Project [TEXAS NATURE TRACKERS] in iNaturalist list above]
- Water Quality Monitoring

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