



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

National Conservation Training Center

Training Announcement

Designing a Long-term Phenology Monitoring Program for Management and Outreach

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Course Description:

Phenology can inform many aspects of management of wildlife and their habitats, such as knowing which species of birds are breeding at your site, when to treat invasive species, and when to harvest native seeds. Phenology can also inform visitors about when to see species of interest, provide a strong scientific basis for education programming, and help plan outreach and education events. In this 2-day training, you will learn how to leverage the USA National Phenology Network's plant and animal observation program, *Nature's Notebook*, and other tools and resources on the USA-NPN's website to meet your needs for management and outreach.



Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Become familiar with the infrastructure of the USA National Phenology Network's *Nature's Notebook* program
2. Create a program plan, logic model, and action plan to guide phenology monitoring at your site
3. Learn how to visualize your data with the USA-NPN Visualization Tool and create data summaries to share with staff and volunteers
4. Explore volunteer engagement strategies and create an action plan for volunteer management
5. Learn how to create an annual phenology report to keep track of your program

Date

Nov. 13-14, 2019

Location

National Conservation Training Center, Shepherdstown, WV

Who Should Attend

Anyone who needs information about plant and animal life cycle events and doesn't have the staff time or resources to collect the data. Anyone who is developing or enhancing a citizen science program for educational and/or natural resource decision-making purposes.

Length

2 days/16 hours

This course is a full two days. Please stay for the entire course.

Tuition

Tuition for FWS and NPS is prepaid. For all other participants, there is a tuition charge of \$398.00.

To Register

Register through DOI Talent: The Workshop registration deadline is **September 4, 2019**. After this date, please call for availability.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is committed to providing access to this class for all participants. Please direct all requests for Sign Language interpreting services, close captioning, or other accommodations needs to the contact below by September 4, 2019.

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