



SOAR...Bird Walks

Studying Ornithology Around the Region

Safety Guidelines and Waiver

SOAR Bird walks, sponsored by The Institute, resumed after a Covid hiatus.

Walks will be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month, year-round, weather permitting.

IMPORTANT: Walk locations will vary with different natural sites around the local region. Check our Facebook page for info, check the website, or email us at: info@natureandcultureinstitute.org.

Current guidelines for SOAR walks:

- Participants will abide by health and safety guidelines from CDC and government agencies. Due to the nature of bird walks, some guidelines have been modified to ensure safety.
- Groups no larger than twelve (12) including trip leaders—if more people show up, volunteer leaders can split to take the lead with a 2nd or 3rd group.
- Participants will sign in at the beginning of the walk acknowledging and agreeing to abide by these guidelines. (Name/contact info are requested for contact tracing should that be required at any future time.)
- Participants must observe distancing of 6 ft. while walking and gathering for sightings.
- Face masks are **mandatory**, even outdoors, until further notice.
- No sharing of binoculars with those outside your family/household.
- Please stay home if you are ill, or have been in contact with known or suspected cases of COVID-19 in the past 14 days.
- Leaders have the authority to end the walk if participants fail to follow guidelines.

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Please fill out the form below and give it to walk leaders.

SOAR Bird Walk Safety Guidelines

The Institute has established these Pandemic Safety Protocols in order to keep our participants, volunteers and employees safe. The above guidelines have been provided to me and I agree to abide by them. I understand it is my responsibility to follow these guidelines, and that The Institute cannot guarantee that I will not contract COVID-19. I will not hold The Institute, Washington Township, any park or facility, their employees, directors or volunteers responsible for any illness or injury arising out of my participation in this activity.

I certify and acknowledge that I have read and understand the guidelines listed above.

Printed Name: _____

Signature (parent signature for minor participant): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

These guidelines will be reviewed and modified as needed to stay in alignment with CDC and PA DOH/State guidelines.