

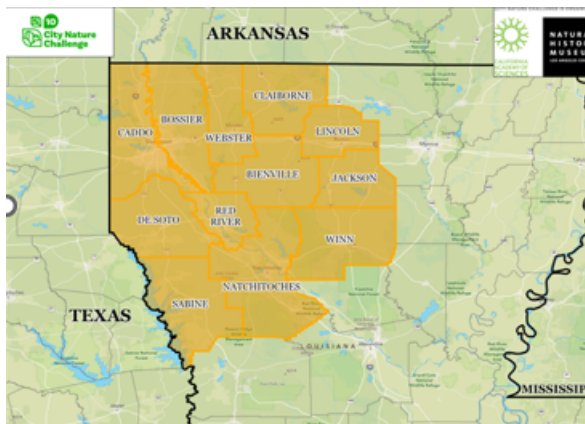
## Two New Bioblitzes Coming April 2026!

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Two new [bioblitzes](#) have been created for the region using the free [iNaturalist](#) app and platform: [City Nature Challenge: Northwest Louisiana \(CNCNWL\)](#), and the [South Central Plains Biodiversity Challenge \(SCPBC\)](#). Both will be held at the same time: **April 24-27, 2026**.

### City Nature Challenge: Northwest Louisiana (CNCNWL): Part of an international project



<https://bit.ly/3NdIoDz>

### South Central Plains Biodiversity Challenge (SCPBC): An ecoregional project



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Stonewall, LA– Grab your smart phone or digital camera and explore the outdoors from Friday April 24 – Monday April 27, 2026. During those 4 days, people can become community scientists by participating in two new bioblitzes to help document biodiversity, and connect people to our incredible natural heritage. The **CNCNWL** is composed of 12 parishes in Northwest Louisiana, and is a subset of the international [City Nature Challenge](https://citynaturechallenge.org/) (<https://citynaturechallenge.org/>). This is the first CNC project in North Louisiana. The **SCPBC** is composed of 102 jurisdictions in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. The SCPBC will be done 3 times a year, and is meant to give participants opportunities to think at the landscape level; to recognize that species don't obey the arbitrary lines we have drawn on maps. It corresponds to the South Central Plains ecoregion, one of the 105 EPA Level III ecoregions in the continental US.

Taking part is easy!

- 1) Download the free iNaturalist app to your smart device (<https://www.inaturalist.org/>).
- 2) Create an iNaturalist account (must be at least 13 yo).

- 3) Take photos of wildlife or plant life anywhere within the project area(s) using iNaturalist between April 24-27.
- 4) Upload the photos you took as “observations” to the iNaturalist mobile app or iNaturalist.org website before Sunday May 10, 2026.
- 5) Go to the project page(s) to see the “observations” get recorded in real time!
- 6) The results will be announced on Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

From more information, click on the link(s) below:

#### **City Nature Challenge: Northwest Louisiana**

Project: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/city-nature-challenge-2026-northwest-louisiana>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61585922150025>

Facebook Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/851829610770960>

#### **South Central Plains Biodiversity Challenge**

Project: <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/2026-spring-south-central-plains-biodiversity-challenge-scpbc>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580004354102>

I would love to have the opportunity to connect to talk more about bioblitzing and the goal of these projects, to give a presentation, and/or to help set up an indoor or outdoor practice bioblitz for interested any group/class to get practice with the app, and to learn how to make the best observations. If interested, please contact me.

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