

2022 Platte River Prairies Field Day - July 9, 2022

This event is free of charge and open to people of all ages, including families. Please RSVP to mjasnowski@tnc.org so we can contact you with more details, as well as potential schedule changes or weather cancellations. Click [HERE](#) for location info.

- 7:00 am Early morning bonus session
- Small mammal ecology* (Mike Schrad, Nebraska Master Naturalist)
 - Birding and avian ecology (Nic Salick, The Nature Conservancy)
- 8:15 am Welcome, introductions
- 8:30 am First regular session
- Small mammal ecology (Mike Schrad, Master Naturalist)
 - Birding and avian ecology (Nic Salick, The Nature Conservancy)
 - Plant identification/Prairie ecology (Chris Helzer, The Nature Conservancy)
- 9:45 am Break
- 10:00 am Second Session
- Seed harvesting (Emma Greenlee/Brandon Cobb, The Nature Conservancy)
 - Plant identification/Prairie ecology (Chris Helzer, The Nature Conservancy)
 - Wetland ecology (Bill Whitney, Ecologist)
- 11:15 am Break
- 11:30 am Third Session
- Seed harvesting (Emma Greenlee/Brandon Cobb, The Nature Conservancy)
 - Prairie invertebrates (Julie Peterson, University of Nebraska Entomology)
 - Prairie management and restoration (Chris Helzer, The Nature Conservancy)
- 12:45 pm Break
- 1:00 pm Fourth Session
- Wetland ecology (Bill Whitney, Ecologist)
 - Prairie invertebrates (Julie Peterson, University of Nebraska Entomology)
 - Prairie management and restoration (Chris Helzer, The Nature Conservancy)
- 2:15 pm End

*This first session will include checking live traps set the previous evening and measuring/releasing any mice or other small mammals caught.

All activities will be outdoors. Please dress accordingly and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, drinking water, and your own food. You're welcome to come and go as you like during the day. Sessions will all begin at The Nature Conservancy's [Derr House](#) (13650 S Platte River Dr, Wood River, NE)