

Shared Sites in Nature's Notebook



Need

- Many people want to make observations at the same sites, and on the same plants and animals:
 - Increases engagement
 - Allows assessment of data quality (comparing multiple observers, knowing same plant is same plant on same day)
- Previously groups had to use a workaround – one user login used by many members of a group (e.g. NYBG and Taylor Ranch)

What is a Shared Site?



Forest Park
Phenology Trail

Joel

- Backyard

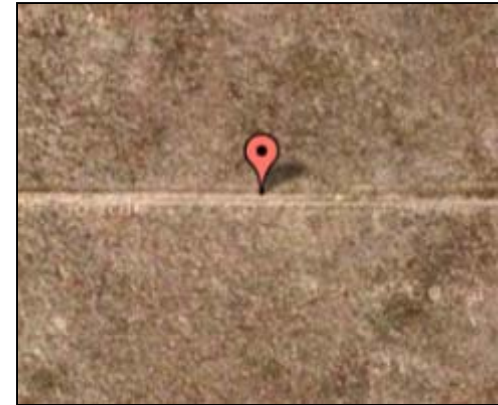
Lynn

- Office
- Trail

Anne

- Yard

Two Kinds of Shared Sites



- Group Sites
 - Groups are organizations of any size or formality that want to share responsibility for a shared site (interchangeable with ‘network’ and ‘partner organization’)
 - Visible to all members of a group
 - All associated plants and animals are also visible to all members of the group
 - Group admins manage users, sites, plants and animals, view all observations
- Public Sites
 - Any one can create, request to designate it ‘public’
 - Any user can then find it and make observations at it

Group Sites: Two Roles

- **Members/individuals :**
 - Join or remove themselves from a group or groups
 - Add plants and animals
 - Create and view own observations
- **Admins of a group may (in addition):**
 - Inactivate/delete plants at a site
 - Remove animals from a site
 - Create sites and designate them to a group
 - Be an admin in more than one group
 - View all observations made at a group site



Group Sites: How it Works for Members/Individuals

To join a group:

1. Log in
2. Go to www.usanpn.org/user
3. Click the “Edit” tab under your username
4. Select your group from the list of partner organizations, and click “Add”
5. **At the bottom of the page, click save to save these changes to your user profile.**

Partner Organizations:

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- Arbor Day Foundation
- California Phenology Project
- Florida Bluebird Society
- Fresh and Local CSA
- Great Sunflower Project
- HJ Andrews
- HoneyBeeNet
- Juniper Pollen Project
- Monarch Watch
- National Park Service
- New Mexico Master Naturalist Program
- PennPhen
- Pima County Extension
- Portland BudWatch
- Project Budburst
- River's Calendar
- RMSSN Academy
- Sam Hughes Trail
- Signs of the Seasons
- The Wilderness Society
- Wisconsin Phenological Society

All selections

California Phenology Project	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>
Sam Hughes Trail	<input type="button" value="Remove"/>



The following day, when the users log in to Nature's Notebook they will see a drop down by My Sites on NN home. They select their group from the list, and then see the sites and plants, and are able to report observations.

The screenshot displays the Nature's Notebook Home interface. At the top, a workflow diagram shows four steps: 'Add a New Site', 'Add or Edit Plants', 'Add or Edit Animal Checklist', and 'Enter Observations', connected by arrows. Below this, the 'Nature's Notebook Home' section features a sidebar with navigation links: 'Nature's Notebook Home', 'My Account', 'Help', 'Download My Data', and 'Explore data visualizations'. The main content area is divided into three columns. The left column has a dropdown menu for 'My Sites' with options 'Sam Hughes Trail' (selected), 'My Sites', 'Sam Hughes Trail', and 'California Phenology Project'. Below this are buttons for 'Edit Site', 'Add a New Site', and 'Add or Edit Plants'. The middle column, titled 'My Plants & Animals', lists various plant and animal entries: 'DODVIS-1', 'DODVIS-2', 'DODVIS-3', 'PROVEL-1', 'PROVEL-2', 'PROVEL-3', 'LARTRI-1', 'buffelgrass-1', 'tamarisk-1', and 'tamarisk-2'. Below the list are buttons for 'Add or Edit Animal Checklist', 'Sort Plants & Animals', 'Create Datasheets', and 'Enter Observation Data'. The right column, titled 'Details for this Organism', shows details for 'DODVIS-1', including the species 'Florida hopbush (*Dodonaea viscosa*)', site 'NCO Parking Lot Alley', and characteristics: 'Wild? Yes', 'Shade? Mostly shade', 'Watered? No', and 'Fertilized? No'. Below the details is a photo of the plant and buttons for 'View Species Profile' and 'Create Single Datasheet (PDF)'.

Nature's Notebook Home

Navigation links:

- Nature's Notebook Home
- My Account
- Help
- Download My Data
- Explore data visualizations

Workflow:

- Add a New Site
- Add or Edit Plants
- Add or Edit Animal Checklist
- Enter Observations

My Sites:

- Sam Hughes Trail
- My Sites
- Sam Hughes Trail
- California Phenology Project

My Plants & Animals:

- DODVIS-1
- DODVIS-2
- DODVIS-3
- PROVEL-1
- PROVEL-2
- PROVEL-3
- LARTRI-1
- buffelgrass-1
- tamarisk-1
- tamarisk-2

Buttons:

- Edit Site
- Add a New Site
- Add or Edit Plants
- Add or Edit Animal Checklist
- Sort Plants & Animals
- Create Datasheets
- Enter Observation Data
- View Species Profile
- Create Single Datasheet (PDF)

Details for this Organism:

DODVIS-1
Florida hopbush (*Dodonaea viscosa*)

Site: NCO Parking Lot Alley

Wild? Yes

Shade? Mostly shade

Watered? No

Fertilized? No

View Species Profile

Create Single Datasheet (PDF)

Group Sites: How it Works for Admins









To set up a group site, email nco@usanpn.org:

- Name of Group
- Existing users to be made Admin

Admins can then add sites and plants (first navigating to their group using the My Sites dropdown) and can view info about their members, using the “manage users” link in Nature’s Notebook home (pictured above).

User Admin Page

-  Nature's Notebook Home
-  My Account
-  Help
-  Download My Data
-  Explore data visualizations
-  Manager Users



User Admin Page

Groups I Administer

- California Phenology Project

Users in this group

- Alyssa Rosemartin
- Kathy Gerst
- Susan Mazer
- Liz Matthews
- Josh Hoines
- Matthew McClintock
- Sue Fritzke
- Dona Frey
- Keith Park
- Jeff Denny

User Details

Alyssa Rosemartin
Date Registered: Sun Mar 08 09:50:03 MST 2009
Address: 1701 Alphabet Ln Tucson AZ
[Download Observations \(0\)](#)
[Remove User from Group](#)

Public Sites

- Any user may create a site, and request that it be designated as a public site.
- This user, the site's creator, may add plants and animals to the site, remove animals, and mark plants as dead or inactive.
- Any user may add any public site to his or her list of sites.
- Other users of a public site may only contribute observations about plants and animals at the site, and otherwise have no control of the site.
- Users of the site may download observations made at the site (those made by the user and those made by other users).

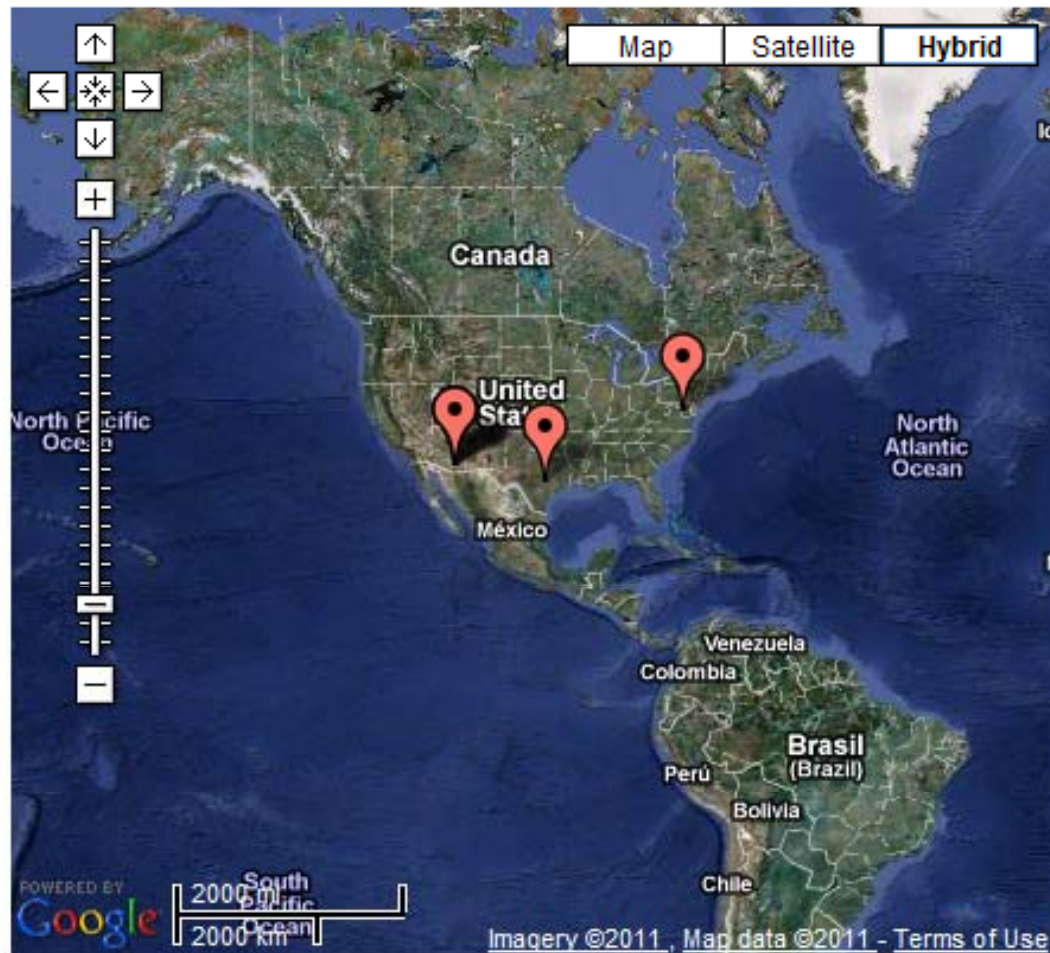


Public Sites: How it works

- **To create a public site**, create it, under My Sites in Nature's Notebook, as usual.
- Email nco@usanpn.org with your username and the name of the site you wish to make public
- **To add a public site to your sites**, click Add a Site, and then click the link to “Add a public Site” on the Add Sites page.
- This takes you to the interface shown on the next slide for adding public sites.
- Click “Add Public Site” and you should see it in your NN home, under My Sites, with a little (p) following the site name

Select a Public Site

Search by
Name or ID



Site Search Results

USGS Headquarters
Oak Springs Bioblitz- ESA 201
Joseph Wood Krutch Garden U
Pima Extension Office
Saguaro BioBlitz 2011

If you would like to make observations at a site that's already been set up and designated as public by someone else, select that site on the map above. Click the link add the site to your Nature's Notebook homepage.

Add Public Site