

United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Sonny Bono Salton Sea National Wildlife Refuge

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<http://www.fws.gov/saltonsea/>

Field Trip/Event Reservation Application

I. School/Organization: _____

Address: _____ First Trip to the Refuge? _____

Contact Name: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Other Teachers/Leaders who will attend:

II. Field Trip (Field trip dates available Tuesdays through Sundays. We recommend a maximum of 60 students per trip, so they can get the most out of the experience)

Date of Visit: _____ Arrival Time: _____ Departure Time: _____

If students, grade level: _____ # of students: _____ # of chaperones: _____

If adult tour, # of adults: _____ Number of: Bus(es) _____ Van/Auto(s) _____

Describe what you are studying or what you hope to gain from this field trip.

III. Items Available on Web site (The materials are yours to duplicate and share with other educators.) Materials can be found on our Web site at: <http://www.fws.gov/saltonsea/>

Habitat Fun Packs (K-3, 4-6, 7-10) are available online at:

<http://www.calwaterfowl.org/web2/departments/education/cvjvpacks.htm>

IV. Loan Items on Date of Visit:

___ # of Binoculars (30 maximum) ___ Field guides (5/trip)

___ Birds of the Salton Sea Guide (10/trip)

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V. Materials for Classroom Activity (please return items on date of visit)

Videos

Mounts (please make arrangement to pick up the mounts; no more than two per classroom)

New!! Wild About Wetlands Resource Kits are also available for loan. These reusable kits provide elementary students and their teachers with three weeks of easy-to-use activities and all materials needed for hands-on learning about wetlands, animals, and habitat restoration. Call the Refuge for more information and availability.

VI. Activities (please check your choices and if you would like to lead activities or have Refuge staff help lead activities – view Web site for more details on activities)

- Welcome _____ - Discovery Pack _____ -Refuge Video _____

Activity	Refuge Lead	Teacher lead	Activity	Refuge Lead	Teacher lead
Rockhill Trail			Chompers & Stompers (2 nd +)		
Hidden Hazards (1 st)			Wetlands Who’s Who (3 rd +)		
Migration Life Cycle (2 nd)			Water Canaries (6 th +)		
Build a Bird (3 rd)			Beginning birding (8 th +)		
Wetlands Web (4 th)			Scavenger Hunt (Jr./advanced)		
Build a Cattail (5 th)					

*Inquire about staff availability to lead activities.

**For larger groups we recommend splitting into smaller groups and rotating through stations.

VII. Activity Schedule

Here are some time guidelines to help you plan your trip:

- Please allow a minimum of 45 minutes to walk Rockhill Trail.
- Grade level activities take 20-30 minutes to complete.
- Videos last 10 to 20 minutes.

The minimum time for a comfortable field trip is two hours. When scheduling your trip, keep in mind the time when you must leave the Refuge in order to get back to your school/drop off point on time. This is your “departure time.”

Use this space for further comments, scheduling suggestions and special considerations.

Please let us know if your group will have a snack and/or lunch during your trip.

Reservations must be made at least two weeks in advance. Fill out a separate form for each day you plan to visit. To accommodate all groups, cancellations must be received five days before the scheduled date.

Please send in this form even if you have already spoken with Refuge staff on the phone. HOPE YOU HAVE A GREAT VISIT!