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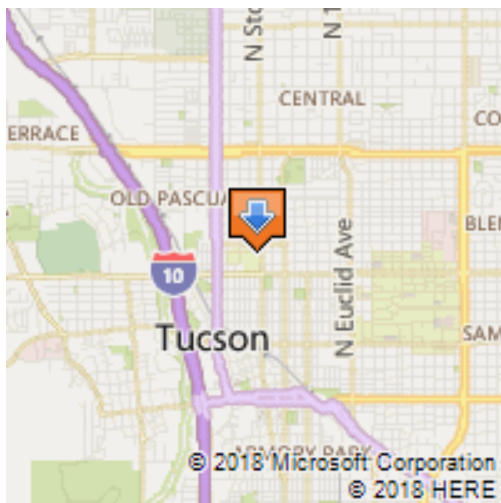
Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at 9:00 PM MST

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Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 3:00 PM MST

Where

Day 1: Pima Community College, Amethyst Room
1255 North Stone Ave.
Tucson, AZ 85709
(map below)



[Driving Directions](#)

Day 2: The Nature Conservancy's Patagonia-Sonoita Creek Preserve
150 Blue Heaven Rd., Patagonia, AZ 85624
and surrounding Coronado National Forest

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Field Experience Locations:
[Patagonia-Sonoita Creek Preserve](#)
[Coronado National Forest](#)

To Register, click [here](#)

2018 Western Yellow-billed Cuckoo Survey Training July 10-11, 2018



This USFWS-approved cuckoo survey training is required for federal and state permits.

Day one (July 10) is classroom instruction at Pima Community College.

Topics include:

YBCU Natural History
Field ID & Vocalizations
Listing, proposed Critical Habitat
Federal & State Permits
Heritage Data Management System Database
Suitable habitat (gallery riparian forest & xeroriparian habitat unique to SW)
Survey protocol and data forms

Day two (July 11) is protocol practice at The Nature Conservancy's Patagonia-Sonoita Creek Preserve. For this activity, we will divide the class into teams of about 20 people each ensuring that participants get individualized attention and can ask questions as they arise in a small group setting. The class will meet in Patagonia and carpool to the Patagonia-Sonoita Creek Preserve. There is no additional fee for day 2 activities, however, we ask that you sign-up for a field team when you register. To ease logistics, try to sign up with folks you'll be surveying with in the field, or with people you are traveling to the training with. Following practice at Sonoita Creek, we'll visit nearby occupied cuckoo habitat in Madrean evergreen woodland and xeroriparian habitat in Coronado National Forest.

Instructors for classroom and field experience:

Nick Bearegard, NAU
Troy Corman, AZGFD
Christina Kondrat-Smith, AZGFD
Jennie MacFarland, Tucson Audubon
Shannon McNeil, Southern Sierra Research Station
Steven Prager, Audubon Arizona
Susan Sferra, USFWS
Diane Tracy, Southern Sierra Research Station
Cathy Wise, Audubon Arizona

Volunteer Survey Opportunities

If you are interested in gaining more experience, volunteers are needed to conduct cuckoo surveys in Coronado National Forest (Madrean Sky Islands) and in Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge as part of a multi-partner research project in southeastern Arizona. Volunteer sign up information can be found here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfa1cALb215YLr0AFDfxl8iFmQpXOsTI63DNzN6kJaNqO03aQ/viewform>

For more specific details about the project contact the regional survey coordinators:

Buenos Aires National Wildlife Refuge: Charles Corson, chcorson@me.com

Madrean Sky Islands in Coronado National Forest: Nick Bearegard, nickbearegard@nau.edu



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