

Urban Wildlife Conservation Program

Partner Assessment

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Welcome to the Partner Assessment for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Urban Wildlife Conservation Program (UWCP) which includes Urban National Wildlife Refuges, Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnerships, and Urban Bird Treaty Program Cities! Thank you in advance for this important input. It will help us as partners to address any concerns, build on strengths, and increase understanding of our shared goals and commitment to reaching them.

Some things to know:

- Groups or organizations may have multiple individuals complete separate assessments, or you may have one or more individuals submit a single assessment.
- If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to your local Service contact or the national program coordinators:
- Urban National Wildlife Refuges and Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnerships: Angelina Yost, angelina_yost@fws.gov, 703-358-2432
- Urban Bird Treaty Program: Roxanne Bogart, roxanne_bogart@fws.gov, 413-253-8582

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: We are collecting this information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501) to understand and improve our relationships with partners. Your response is voluntary and we will not share the results publicly. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. OMB has reviewed and approved this survey and assigned OMB Control Number 1090-0011, which expires 10/31/2021.

Estimated Burden Statement: We estimate the survey will take you 30 minutes to complete, including time to read instructions, gather information, and complete and submit the survey. You may submit comments on any aspect of this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: PRB/JAO-1N, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

Throughout the assessment, consider “we,” “organization,” or “group” to mean the entity that you represent as a partner, even if you are an individual representing yourself.

1.) Name of your organization/group/other (enter “not applicable” if as a partner you do not represent an organization or group):

2.) Type of organization/group/other (or enter "individual"):

3.) Are you completing this assessment along with other individuals from your organization?

Yes No

4.) Provide just job/position titles for those who contribute to completing the assessment. If you prefer not to share this information, please enter "decline":

Throughout the assessment when "Service" appears, consider this the local Service staff you are working with. Your local Service partner is the Service entity with which you are working. It may be a National Wildlife Refuge, Urban Wildlife Refuge Partnership, Urban Bird Treaty City, Ecological Services Office, or National Fish Hatchery.

5.) Who is your local U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service partner?

6.) When did your collaboration with the Service begin?

7.) If applicable, describe the mission of your organization or group?

8.) Please describe the nature of your collaboration with the Service and very generally the types of projects/activities you work on related to the Urban Wildlife Conservation Program (UWCP).

9.) Based on your understanding, briefly state one goal and up to three objectives for this collaboration with the Service. Goals are broad and aspirational, reflective of the desired future condition. Objectives describe what you intended to do/ accomplish in order to achieve the goal.

10.) Describe in a few sentences the desired outcome(s) for the activities/projects undertaken in collaboration with the Service. Outcomes are the benefits and impacts that you hope will result from

It is clear what resources/skills Service staff bring to the collaboration.

We have a clear vision of the roles and responsibilities for our collaboration.

We have clearly defined shared goals and objectives for our collaboration.

15.) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements with respect to communication and trust within the collaboration?

	Strongly Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Neutral	Moderately Agree	Strongly Agree	NA
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There is regular communication between Service staff and us.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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There is open and clear communication between Service staff and us.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Communication is sufficiently effective between Service staff and us to result in a successfully functioning relationship.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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The perspective we bring to the collaboration is respected.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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There is sufficient trust between those involved in the collaboration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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16.) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements with respect to the commitment and sustainability of the collaboration?

	Strongly Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Neutral	Moderately Agree	Strongly Agree	NA
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We have started discussions with the Service to strategize on how to minimize and mitigate challenges to a successful relationship.

Commitment to the success of the collaboration is sufficiently robust to withstand most challenges to its successful functioning.

19.) Please describe how you think your relationship with the Service can improve, if at all.

20.) To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements with respect to assessing how well the collaboration is working?

	Strongly Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Neutral	Moderately Agree	Strongly Agree	NA
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There are clear guidelines to effectively monitor and evaluate how the collaboration is working.

Findings from monitoring and evaluation are, or will be, widely shared with those involved in the collaboration.

Findings from monitoring and evaluation are, or will be, widely shared outside of the collaboration (e.g., with the community).

The collaboration is achieving its goals and objectives.

The collaboration is achieving the agreed upon outcomes.

21.) If you agreed that the collaboration is achieving its goals, objectives, and agreed upon outcomes, describe any indicators or evidence you have that supports this.

22.) Please share any additional comments or thoughts regarding your collaboration with the Service, the Urban Wildlife Conservation Program, or this assessment.