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## *BioBlitz Volunteer Info sheet*

First off, thank you so much for your interest in helping with the BioBlitz, it is so great to hear and see the enthusiastic response about this program. And programs like this only happen with the help of fantastic volunteers like yourself!

### **A little bit more about the BioBlitz:**

A BioBlitz is an attempt to catalogue everything that jumps, swims, crawls or photosynthesizes in a specific area over a specific time period. For our BioBlitz, it will be at the intersection of Harvard, Littleton, and Boxborough, called the High Ridge, on the day of June 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm with lunch following.

We will be based at the [Community Harvest Project at Prospect Hill Orchard](#), across the street from Fruitlands. This will be where people come and check-in and grab coffee before they head out to one of seven property complexes across the High Ridge area. At noon, we will all meet back at Prospect Hill for a provided lunch to talk about the day, share exciting observations, and meet some of the people responsible for protecting these special places.

### **So you want to help with the BioBlitz, now what?**

We need a couple different types of help with the BioBlitz. Check out our volunteer sheet to see where we need help, <http://bit.ly/BioBlitzVol>. Currently the volunteer shifts are set up for 1.5 hour shifts, but feel free to get in contact with me at [Samish@svtweb.org](mailto:Samish@svtweb.org) if you want to volunteer more, less, or have specific hours that will work for you.

**Property Host, various locations, 1-2 people per property, throughout the day:** For this position you will be stationed at one of the 8 BioBlitz properties. You will greet people as they show up, provide information about the property, what other people have been seeing, and generally be their first point of contact for the property. Feel free to introduce BioBlitzers who arrived separately and facilitate connections between individuals. You can sign up for any of these properties: [Smith/BlackPond](#), [Oak Hill](#), [Holy Hill](#), [Beaver Brook Valley Preserve](#), [Patch Hill](#), [Williams/Great Elm/Brown](#), [Horse Meadows Knoll/Elizabeth Brook Knoll/Gillette](#).

**Parking, Community Harvest at Prospect Hill, 1 - 2 people, from 11:30 to 12:30:** While there is plenty of parking available at Prospect Hill Orchard, it always helps to have a couple people directing traffic to make sure no one gets parked in and all the space is used efficiently.

**Hero, Community Harvest at Prospect Hill, 1- 2 people, throughout the day:** You are the one who could save the day! If someone runs out of maps, or has to leave their stations, you are going to swoop in and help in whatever way is needed. You will be stationed at Prospect Hill Orchard in the meantime, helping with check-in and greeting naturalists as they come in. Property Hosts are a priority, so we would appreciate it if you would consider that position first.