



## DRAGONFLY SURVEYS - Checklist & FAQ's

### Complete the following activities before you survey:

- Save your survey dates on your personal & professional calendars.
- Communicate with your designated survey partner and share your cell phone number and email address with them. Let them know how best to reach you.
- Make sure you are in good physical health.
- Decide on a time for your survey with your partner. Ensure you have a minimum of 3 hours to survey.
- Decide if you want to carpool or meet at the survey site.
- Confirm which person will be responsible upload data to iNaturalist and updating the spreadsheet

### Equipment needed

Bring your own	Provided by JCWC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water bottle &amp; snack</li> <li>• Cell phone and/or camera</li> <li>• Backpack</li> <li>• Sunscreen</li> <li>• Weather- appropriate clothing</li> <li>• Wide-brimmed hat</li> <li>• Boots/shoes for mud</li> <li>• Optional: Guidebook and additional apps</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Insect net</li> <li>• Data sheet (Double sided)</li> <li>• Binoculars</li> <li>• Field Guides</li> <li>• A Quick Guide to Ode Families and MultCo Species Sheet.</li> </ul> <p>You received all of these at the in person portion of orientation.</p>

### Complete the following activities after you survey:

- Upload your data to iNaturalist, ideally within 24 hours of your survey. Your data is so valuable to us for future projects and as an indicator of creek health.
- Please note on the **Dragonfly Toolkit Google Sheets** page the date you surveyed and confirm data upload. Make sure you know when your next survey (and substitute) days are!

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- Please give us feedback on the Dragonfly Surveys and your volunteer experience by filling out our **volunteer survey** at <http://jcwc.org/volunteer-survey/>

## What if...?

**Question:** What if the conditions aren't conducive to dragonfly surveying?

You have an extension that provides you with an additional weekend. Please coordinate with your partner to set up a back-up survey date and make a note of it on the google sheet with the new date you surveyed.

**Question:** What if my partner has not shown up and I cannot get a hold of them?

Do not survey by yourself. Call your substitute. If they do not respond, send Marissa an email and she will ensure you can survey again. You have a flexible schedule to allow time to reschedule due to weather or communication problems.

**Question:** What if I need to cancel/ My partner notifies me that they are not able to do the planned survey date?

We are counting on you to show up to your survey. However, if this happens, contact your substitute as soon as you find out. If your substitute is unavailable, notify Marissa.

**Question:** What if there is an injury during our survey?

If the person is responsive and able to communicate, they decide their own course of treatment. If a person is unconscious, call 911. When you are able, notify Marissa.

**Question:** What if you are approached and asked what you are doing?

Stop and take a minute to explain that you're a volunteer with JCWC, collecting data on dragonflies. Ask them if they have seen them here recently. Direct them to JCWC if they're interested in learning more!

**Question:** What if we encounter people living along the creek?

You may encounter people living along the creek. If you feel unsafe at any point, please leave immediately. If people are curious or indifferent, please answer any questions and continue on your way.

**Question:** What if I didn't have the best time with my partner, and we've been scheduled to survey again together....?

We want you to have an enjoyable experience. Let us know and we can reassign you, with discretion.

**Still have more questions?** Contact Marissa at 503-652-7477 Ext. 107 or [marissa@jcwc.org](mailto:marissa@jcwc.org)