

# CA BIODIVERSITY DAY 2026

Join Preserve Calavera in coastal North San Diego County in celebrating the awesome biodiversity of our state through a number of in-person events over the **week of Sept. 5-13**. The official Biodiversity Day is Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> but we have too many great places to visit for 1 day. Many of our certified CA naturalists will be leading hikes.\*



*Preserve Calavera*  
Coastal North San Diego County

**Sept. 5, 8-10 am**

**Buddy Todd Park - birding**

Lead: Barbara Swanson; pre-registration is required.

2800 Mesa Dr, Oceanside, CA 92054

Bring binoculars



**Sept. 7, 6:15-8:30 pm, Whelan Lake  
Bird Sanctuary**

**Bat and Moth Celebration**

Leads: Cindy Meyers, Janell Cannon,  
Karen Merrill\*; pre-registration is  
required as space is limited.

3850 North River Rd, Oceanside, CA 92058

Bring headlamp/flashlight and bug spray.

**Sept. 6, 10-11:45 am, Elfin Forest  
Recreational Reserve**

Lead: Jon Sherman\*; pre-registration  
is required as space is limited.

8833 Harmony Grove Road  
Escondido, CA 92029

Stay for the Dryad at the  
Interpretive Center at noon.

**Sept. 13, 10-noon, Batiquitos  
Ecological Reserve**

Lead: David Newman\*; meet at nature  
center

7380 Gabbiano Lane, Carlsbad 92011

Before joining any of these events,  
consider becoming part of the iNaturalist  
bioblitz to record 30 species during the  
week. [Create an iNaturalist account](#), then  
join the project:



For more information or to pre-register, contact Paige at  
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