**Digital tools for recording species observation and survey data**

With recent technological advancements, recording field data in a digital format is now more accessible to biologists and the general public than ever before. These digital tools can simplify data collection and reduce effort in the field, facilitate efficient transfer of field data to databases, and ultimately increase data quality. In this workshop, we will give an overview of applications and tools such as Survey 123, iNaturalist, and others. Our primary focus will be to help participants understand the advantages and limitations of using a digital platform and which tools are appropriate for citizen scientists, incidental observations by professional biologists, and collection of formal survey data. We will finish by taking a closer look at Survey123 to demonstrate what is required to create custom applications tailored to individual project needs. The workshop will be geared toward field use of the apps and technical expertise is not required. Participants are encouraged to bring a GPS-enabled smart device (e.g. phone or tablet) to explore data collection tools during the workshop.