

Accessible Birding

The word “accessible” has different meanings depending upon your physical abilities. For those with mobility challenges, accessible typically means areas with level paved or hard packed gravel pathways. For individuals using wheeled walkers or wheelchairs, even a small obstacle can be an impediment. Agencies that construct accessible facilities rely on detailed ADA standards, that ensure access for everyone, including buildings. However, many facilities have been constructed over the years that do not meet these standards, resulting in limited access for some users.

The non-profit organization [Birdability.org](https://www.birdability.org), with assistance from National Audubon Society, has developed an accessibility field survey protocol. The survey, and associated online mapping tool, facilitate documenting the levels of accessibility for popular birding sites across the world. Sacramento Audubon has followed this protocol in conducting field reviews for birding sites in the Sacramento Region. The birdability survey was designed as a crowd sourcing tool, and is available to anyone. Click [here](#) to access the survey webpage with instruction on how to conduct a survey. If you complete a survey in the *(fill in location)* area, [let us know](#) and we will add it to this page.

Learn more about Birdability by watching this [video](#).

Upcoming Accessible Birding Field Trips

(Add event details here)

Accessible Birding Locations

Birding locations within the *(fill in location)* area have been categorized as either highly accessible for all mobility impaired birders, or partially accessible. Highly accessible locations have all the accessible features, including; handicapped parking, handicapped ramps, fully accessible trails, and accessible restrooms. You'll find more information on the accessibility of these locations below.

Highly Accessible

(Add description of highly accessible locations along with link to Birdability Map)

Partially Accessible

(Add description of partially accessible locations along with link to Birdability Map)