

DECEMBER EVENTS 2014

Friends of the San Pedro River



River Walks

The San Pedro River features some of the richest wildlife habitat in the Southwest. Here you'll find 82 species of mammals, dozens of different reptiles and amphibians and nearly 350 species of birds. In addition, the river supports one of the largest cottonwood-willow forest canopies remaining in Arizona and is one of the last freeflowing rivers in the Southwest.

Join one of our trained docents on an Interpretive River Walk to discover why the San Pedro River is one of the top ten endangered rivers and named by the Nature Conservancy as one of the Last Great Places.

The interpretive river walks are usually 1½ to 2 miles long over easy terrain. They are slowerpaced than a hike and suitable for most adults and children.

Every Saturday Morning December 6, 13, 20, 27

River walks depart from the San Pedro House at 9:00am

Bird Walks

The San Pedro River is considered one of the largest and most critical avian migratory corridors remaining in the western United States. The San Pedro Ripar-National Conservation (SPRNCA) provides habitat for over 100 species of breeding birds, and provides water, food and shelter for another 250 species of migratory and wintering birds.

Birders, novice or experienced, are invited to attend any of the listed bird walks to introduce them to the diverse avian community found in the SPRNCA. Observe 25 - 50 species on these popular two to three hour bird walks.

Wednesday, December 10 Saturday, December 27

Bird walks depart from the San Pedro House at 8:00am

History Walk

MILLVILLE RUINS & **PETROGLYPHS**

Join the Friends of the San Pedro River for an interpretive walk at the historic town of Millville. The Corbin and Gird mills processed silver ore mined in Tombstone. These stamp mills on the east side of the river roared day and night for the "boom" years between 1878 and 1889. It was a "boomtown" in every sense of the word -aquick rise and a rapid decline. This site is also well known for its many petroglyphs etched into the rocky hillsides.

The walk is about one and a half miles and will take about two hours. Be prepared for the weather with good shoes, water, and a hat.

Saturday, Dec. 6, 9:00am Meet at the Millville Parking Area

(about one quarter mile east of the San Pedro River, north side of Charleston Road)

Wear appropriate attire for hiking and walking and current weather conditions. Bring at least one quart of water per person. There is **no charge** for the walks; however, donations are accepted to support the docent programs.

Environmental Operations Park

EOP BIRD WALKS

The Sierra Vista Environmental Operations Park (EOP), also known as the wastewater treatment plant, has been opened to public tours on Sunday mornings at 8:00 am.

Tours are restricted to 22 persons (including docents) on a first-come, firstserved basis. Other group tours can be arranged through SABO at (520) 432-1388 or sabo@sabo.org. Tours are FREE.

(Donations are accepted)

Every Sunday December 7, 14, 21, 28

Meet at 8:00 am at the EOP viewing platform parking lot

(Turn North off Highway 90 between mile markers 324 and 325)



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2014 SCHEDULE OF WALKS

INTERPRETIVE RIVER WALKS

Every Saturday morning. Departing from the San Pedro House.

9:00am October through March8:00am April through September



Departing from the San Pedro House.

October through December: 2nd Wednesday at 8:00am 4th Saturday at 8:00am

January & February 2015
Every Wednesday at 9:00am
4th Saturday at 9:00am

March 2015

Every Wednesday at **8:00am** 4th Saturday at **8:00am**

April 2015

Every Wednesday at **7:00am** 4th Saturday at **7:00am**

May through September 2015:

2nd Wednesday at **7:00am** 4th Saturday at **7:00am**

EOP BIRD WALKS

(SV Environmental Operations Park) Departing from the viewing platform.

Every Sunday morning
8:00am October through March
7:00am April through September



HISTORY WALKS (all on Saturdays)

Schedule subject to change.

Visit www.sanpedroriver.org or call to confirm.

Nov. 8 9:00am Presidio Santa Cruz de Terrenate Dec. 6 9:00am Millville Ruins & Petroglyphs

