

When You Help a Frog You Help the World.

Join frogwatchers from around the country by collecting data about the frogs and toads you hear. Over the past few decades frog and toad species all over the world have been disappearing. Pollution, habitat loss, climate change, and a fungal disease are all possible reasons for their decline. Because there are not enough scientists available to study every frog species it is important for all people who care about the natural world to lend a hand. FrogWatch USA and the National Wildlife Federation offer instructions on how anyone can help scientists better understand this ecological disaster.



It's easy to get involved. Go online to www.frogwatch.org and register as a FrogWatch USA volunteer. Read the information about how to collect data, choose a site and then go outside and frogwatch! The data you collect can be used to track frog populations in your local wetlands. This information will help scientists determine the health of the frog population in your area.

You can monitor as often as you wish, but it's suggested that you visit your site twice a week during the breeding season. Each site visit takes less than 20 minutes. Or – participate in the one-time Record the Ribbit on Saturday, May 3. On this day, frogwatchers around the nation will take an audio snapshot of frog and toad populations. Information on this is available at www.nwf.org/ribbit



Eight Easy Steps of Frog Watching

- Step One: Register yourself online
- Step Two: Choose one or more wetland sites
- Step Three: Learn about Frogs and Toads in your local area
- Step Four: Learn the Frogwatch USA Monitoring Protocol
- Step Five: Print out data sheets
- Step Six: Go Frogwatching!
- Step Seven: Submit your observations online
- Step Eight: Tell your friends and family

