Citizen Science Monitoring on Midpen Preserves
Western Pond Turtle

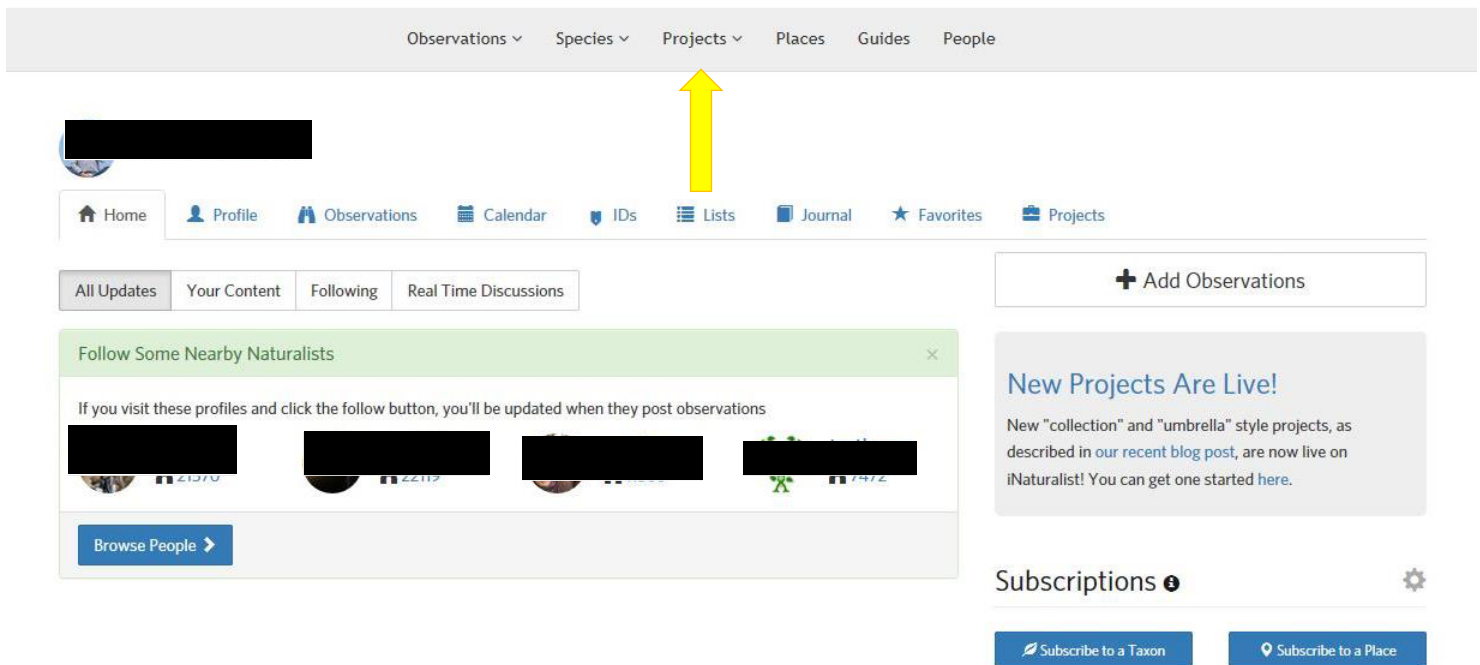**Step 1. Using a cell phone, tablet or desktop device – navigate to iNaturalist.** (www.iNaturalist.org)

Create an account or use your existing Login. Account access is free. Cell reception is required to use the program – if cell reception is not available onsite, observers may have to enter data at a later time. Depending on which device you prefer to use, see the following instructions. Both are acceptable.

DESKTOP ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

PHONE / APP ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

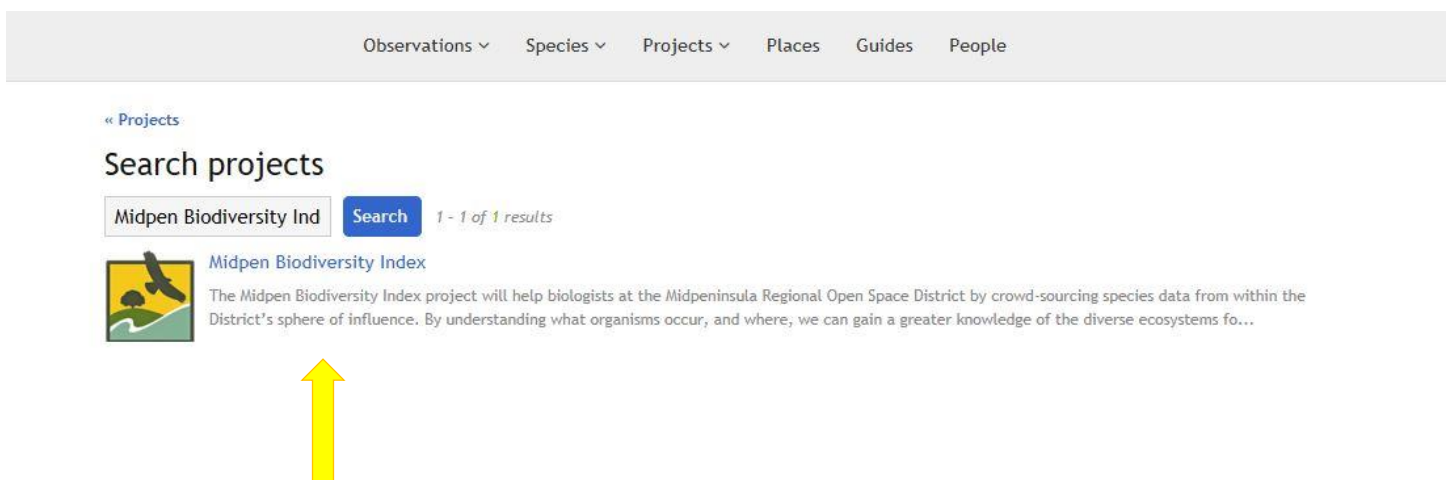**Step 2. Navigate to the Projects tab at the top of the page.**

Step 3. Search for "Midpen Biodiversity Index" and select the page link with the Midpen icon.
This will take you to our main project page.

Step 4. Enter an observation by selecting the blue "Add observations to this project" button.

Step 5. Enter all observation information, including photos and specific location.

Note: **At the bottom of this page, there are four observation fields** – report information for each species observed to the best of your ability. The fourth field is specific to turtle observations. Select the blue "Save observation" button to submit your data.

Fill out project observation fields

1. Number of individuals

Number of individuals observed together

2. Developmental Phase ▢ Egg

life stage of individual

3. Health Rating ▢ Healthy

Overall health of individual

4. Turtle: Behavior ▢ Basking: natural structure (e)

If species observed is turtle, describe the dominant behavior of individuals.

More fields ⊚

Add a field ▢ Start typing fiel ▾   Create a new field   View all fields

Save observation   Save and add another   Cancel
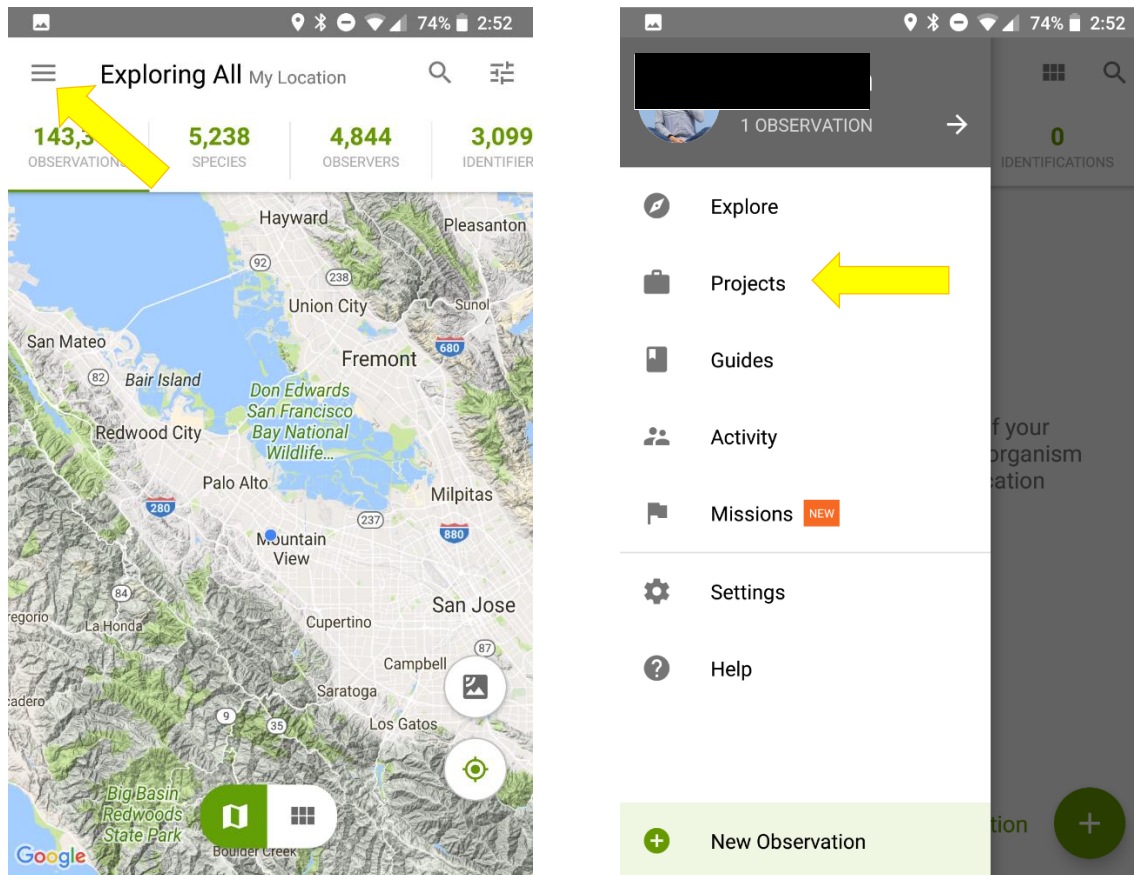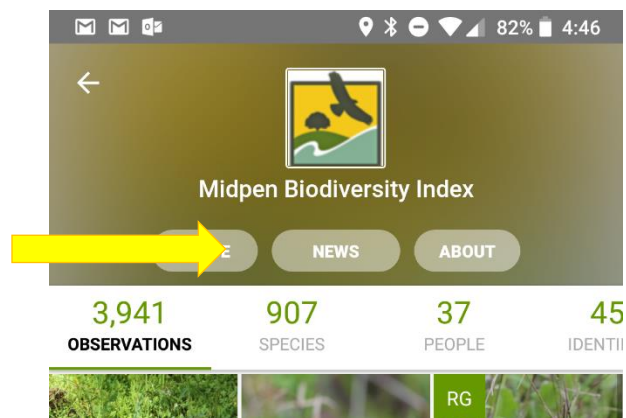
Step 6. Continue entering more observations as needed.

PHONE / APP ACCESS INSTRUCTIONS

**Step 2. Using the App Menu feature, navigate to the Projects layer.**

Step 3. Search for "Midpen Biodiversity Index" and select the page link with the Midpen icon.
This will take you to our main project page where you must "Join" before adding new observations.

Step 4. Enter an observation by selecting the App Menu feature and selecting "New Observation" option.
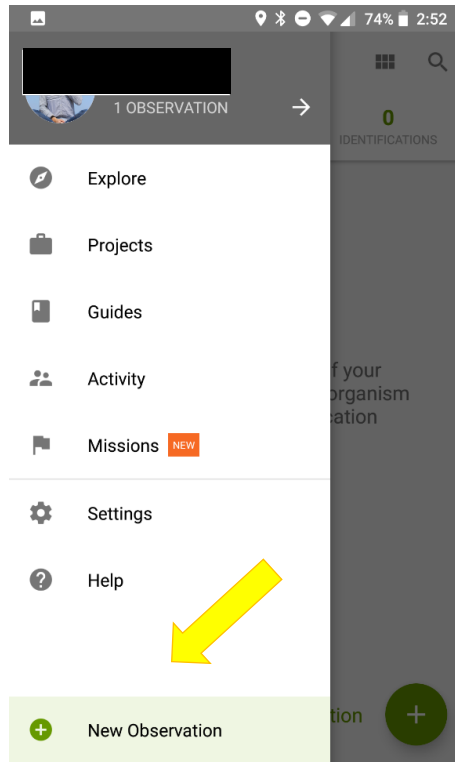
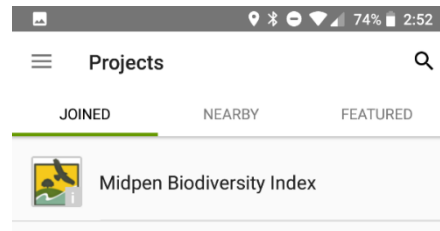**Step 5. Enter all observation information here, including photos, sounds and specific location.**
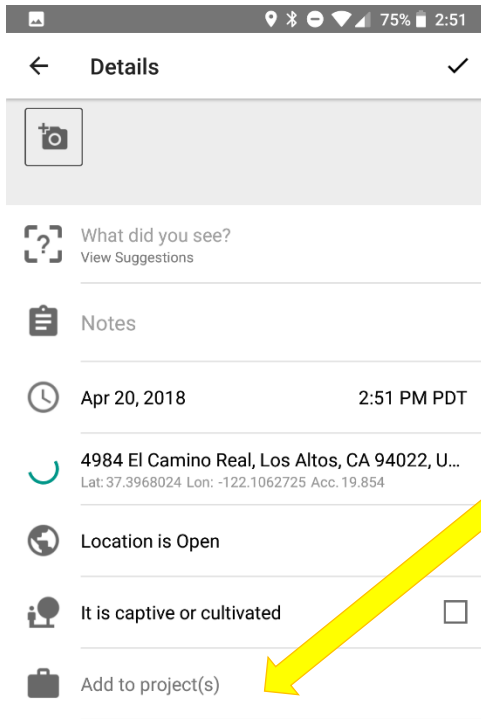
Select the check mark to submit your data.

Note: You must **add** your observation to the Program Project Page. Select the "Add to project(s)" option.

All Projects that you have Joined should appear in a list to select from.

Step 6. Continue entering more observations as needed