

## Which species may be counted during the Spring 2016 Personal Bioblitz?

YES, Count it!	NO, doesn't count!
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The observation or collection <b>date</b> is within the project dates.</li> <li>2. You <b>saw or heard</b> the species. Even better, have a photo of it.</li> <li>3. <b>Outdoor species, unassisted*</b> (ex. birds, insects, mosses)</li> <li>4. <b>Indoor species, unassisted*</b> (ex. cockroaches, mice, bread mold)</li> <li>5. <b>Remnants of once alive species</b> (ex. antlers, roadkill, shells, dried fruits) as long as <b>unlabeled</b> and you know its <b>collection date and geographic origin</b> [mark the type of remnant in your iNaturalist observation notes].</li> <li>6. <b>Microscopic species</b> (including bacteria and archaea), as long as actual organism is wild-collected and observed (not just its effect), and it wasn't ordered or kept in a lab as labeled culture.</li> <li>7. Species as part of <b>research projects</b> collected in the wild (as long as unidentified specimens and collected during the project time frame).</li> <li>8. <b>Humans and feral populations</b> of former pets, crops, and farm animals.</li> <li>9. <b>Invasive, parasitic, and alien species</b> (weeds, pests, etc.).</li> <li>10. <b>Species effects</b> that can be identified distinctly to a particular species or group of species are allowed, such as galls, tracks, leaf miners, chewing marks, egg cocoons, spider webs, and eggs.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The species is <b>already labeled</b> (the idea here is discovery.)</li> <li>2. Using <b>human disease symptoms</b> to identify a pathogenic species.</li> <li>3. <b>Pets, supermarket produce, spices</b> (anything sold and traded with a label on it; exception: wild species that inadvertently show up with such items are OK, like parasites in oysters or spiders in local produce)</li> <li>4. <b>Species maintained in greenhouses, museums, zoos, aquaria, gardens, etc.</b></li> <li>5. Anything that can only securely be <b>ID'd with molecular/ DNA data</b> (if you can visually identify it to a higher-ranking group [class, family, etc.], then list it under the higher-ranking group's name)</li> <li>6. No <b>viruses</b> (sorry)</li> </ol>

\* **Unassisted species** are those that live without assistance from humans. Pets, houseplants, and planted crops are considered assisted if they rely on humans to survive. Feral cats and abandoned crop fields are unassisted since they no longer rely on humans.