

**BIRDSONG NATURE CENTER**  
**COVID-19 Re-Opening Plan, Phase 1**  
**TRAILS OPEN, WEEKENDS ONLY, FOUR WEEKENDS IN SEPTEMBER**  
**SEPTEMBER 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, and 26-27**

This is the first stage of a phased re-opening plan starting June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The trails, Listening Place and restrooms will be open to members and visitors on weekends only using the safety protocols described below. In order to minimize contact, *the House, Bird Window and Gift Shop will remain closed* for now. At the end of September, we will revisit this schedule and report on any changes for the month of October.

***Hours of operation:*** The trails will be open *on weekends only* through September 27

***Saturdays 9 to 5***

***Sundays 1 to 5***

***Please note: we are not open on weekdays***

***Please help us keep you and all other visitors and staff safe by following these safety protocols:***

***In advance of arrival:*** Admission is free to members, so if you are a member please check your bulletin for your expiration date. You can renew online. If payment at the checkpoint is necessary, our Greeter, Lynette Joye Hitt, will take all card information verbally. Please pay with credit or debit cards only (VISA, MC, Discover and American Express). If you need to pay with cash, ***exact change is required***; to avoid contact, we will not have change available. Please bring a mask; a mask is required to get through the checkpoint. *Admission fees: members, free; non-member adults \$5, children under 12 \$2.50.*

***Strategies for safe check-in:*** The parking area will be roped off to funnel cars to a checkpoint for registration. Lynette will be set up where she can speak to the driver of each vehicle coming in. Visitors will remain in their cars for check-in and the driver will wear a mask. Lynette will wear a mask and gloves for all interactions and maintain a 6-foot distance. She will record registration and credit card information given verbally by the driver (no exchange of pens, paper, etc.) and can proffer a box containing maps/handouts.

***We require that a mask be worn by the driver of the vehicle for the duration of the time they are at the checkpoint.*** A mask will be provided if the driver does not have their own.

***Parking:*** Vehicles will proceed to the Pecan Grove and park at least one parking space apart. Visitors will then have access to all the trails, the Listening Place, and the restrooms.

***Use of the restrooms and Listening Place:*** We ask that visitors assist us in maintaining safe spaces for themselves and others. Disinfectant wipes and hand sanitizer will be provided at both sites and we ask that visitors ***please wipe down all surfaces before and after using the facilities*** at both the restrooms and the Listening Place. There is a handwashing station at the bathrooms and one by the Barn. ***A maximum of six people is allowed in the Listening Place at one time.*** Please wear a mask when other people are in the Listening Place.

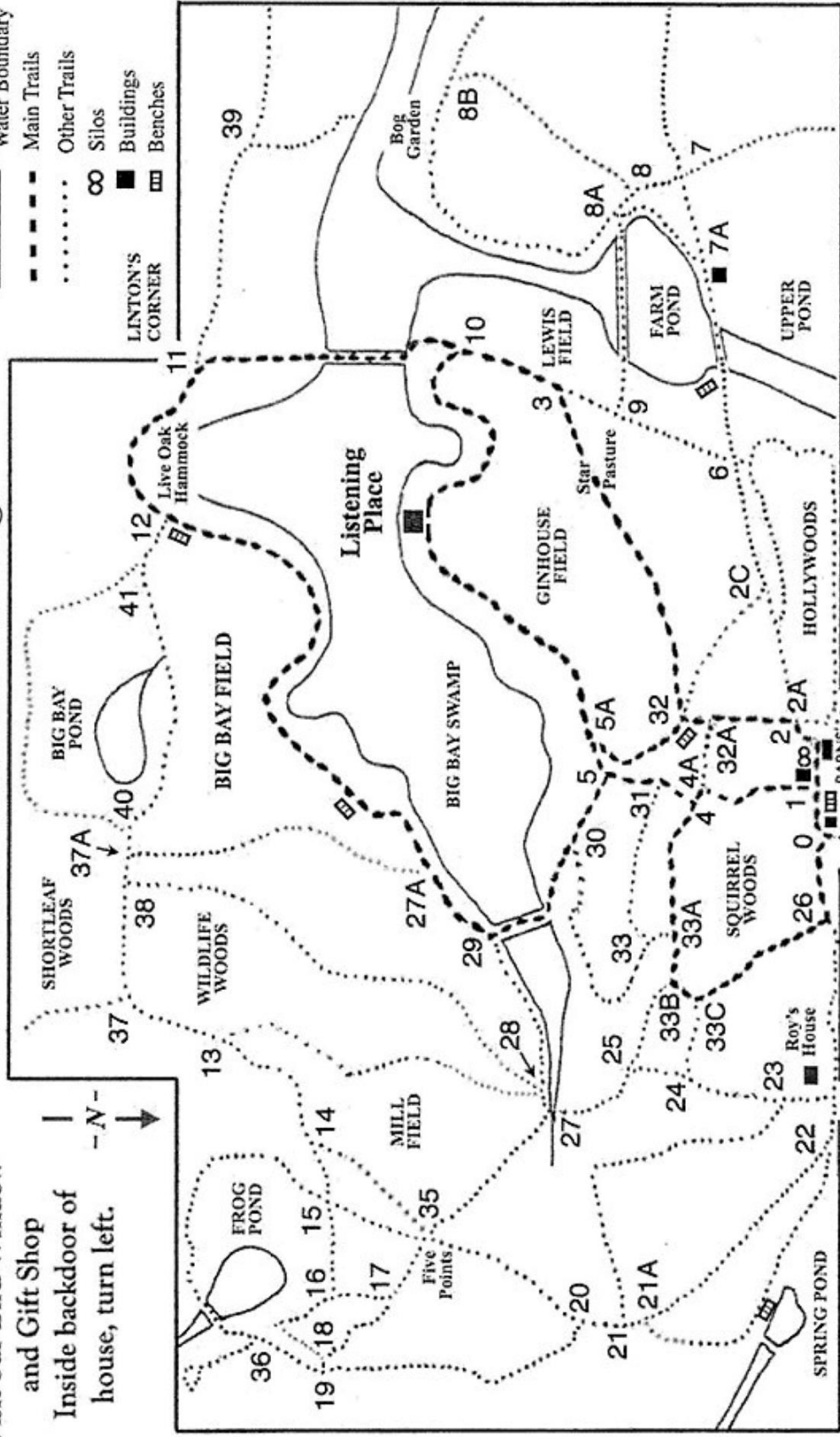
***On the trails and elsewhere:*** Visitors are asked to maintain the prescribed six feet of social distance between themselves and any other visitors or staff they encounter anywhere on the property, including the restrooms, and masks should be used when approaching others at close range.

***Thank you*** for your help and understanding as we try to provide our members and visitors with a safe experience. We hope you enjoy a wonderful visit and please let us know how these protocols are working for you. 229-377-4408, [birdsong@birdsongnaturecenter.org](mailto:birdsong@birdsongnaturecenter.org).

# Welcome to Birdsong!

Visit our Bird Window  
and Gift Shop  
Inside backdoor of  
house, turn left.

- Property Boundary
- - - Water Boundary
- - - Main Trails
- ..... Other Trails
- ∞ Silos
- Buildings
- ▣ Benches



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NUMBERS ARE LOCATIONS - NOT TRAIL IDENTIFIERS  
PLOWED AND MOWED FIRE LANES ARE NOT MARKED

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