

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECTS

We have a number of projects available for scouts looking to complete their Eagle Scout Project at the Swaner Preserve and EcoCenter. Please see our list of project ideas below:

Project Ideas

1. **Build a devious cache** or other creative geocache container for our Swaner Geocache Program
2. **Create high quality 360-degree photos** of interesting sites around the Preserve and place them on Google Maps.
3. **Create one or more video shorts** that we could use on social media to promote the preserve, educate the public about environmental topics, or show appreciation for our volunteers.
4. **Create a portable wetland model** to use for school field trips, touch tables, etc.

For those interested in pursuing one of the above projects, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Ashleigh Hammond:

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Planning Guidelines for Eagle Scout Projects

1. **Initial Contact:** Contact our Volunteer Coordinator to schedule an interview if you're interested in pursuing a project.
2. **Interview:** Discuss your potential project with a Swaner staff person to gain more detailed information about the project. Please be prepared to discuss why you are interested in the project, as well as any preliminary ideas that you might have for the project. *Bring your calendar* so that you can schedule a time for a *site visit*. This is also a good time to ask any questions that you might have about the project.
3. **Site Visit:** Visit your project site. This is a good time to jot down additional questions that you might have for Swaner staff, as well as to take notes, measurements (if applicable) and pictures. This visit is meant to help you gather the information that you will need to develop your project proposal.
4. **Project Proposal:** Eagle Scouts are **required to submit a project proposal before starting a project**. A project proposal should include the following: **a.)** A description of the project; **b.)** Materials/Resources needed for your project (*please note that Swaner is*

not able to offer any funding for Eagle Scout projects); **c.)** Steps that you will take in order to complete your project **d.)** Approximate start and end dates **e.)** Your name and the date.

5. **Project Proposal Interview:** Please contact Swaner staff to schedule a date to discuss your proposal.

6. **Begin Project: Once you receive the go-ahead from Swaner staff,** you are ready to see your project through from beginning to end. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or issues that you might have.

7. **Present Completed Project:** This can take many forms depending on your project. Please schedule a final visit with Swaner staff to present, drop-off, or discuss your final project, and to have your contact staff person sign off on your project.