

# PBA3 eBird Projects Update

March 25, 2025

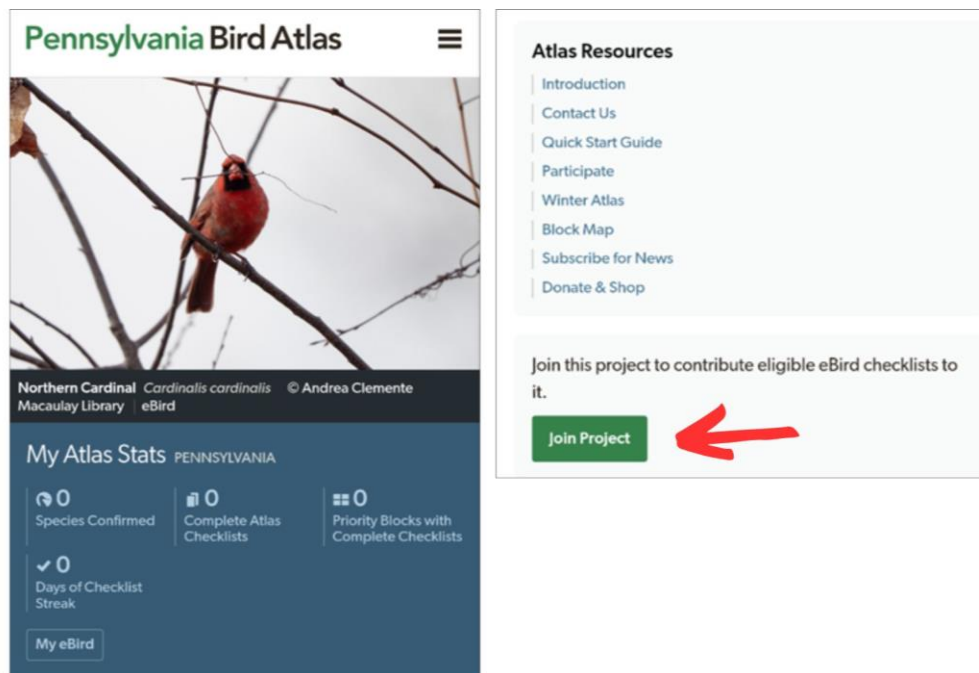


eBird Projects is a new way to collect data for regional projects like bird atlases. With this transition from the 'PA Bird Atlas Portal' to the 'PA Bird Atlas Project,' there are some subtle changes in how we contribute to the project. To learn more about the large-scale changes and the reasons for making these changes check out this [eBird article](#). If you run into issues with participating in the project, check this [support page from eBird](#) or reach out to an [atlas coordinator](#) for help.

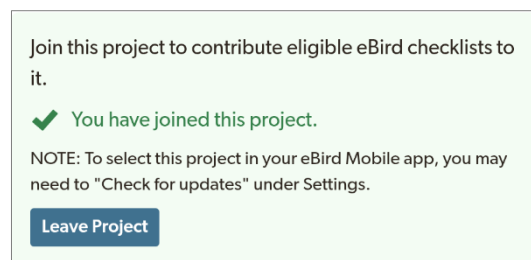
## Join the Project

Anyone who hasn't already participated in the PA Bird Atlas now needs to first join the project. If you have submitted at least one checklist to the Atlas prior to March 19, 2025, you will automatically be joined to the project and can skip this step.

To join the project, visit the [PA Bird Atlas homepage](#) and click the link to 'Join Project' under the Atlas Resources. You will now be able to submit checklists to the Atlas from the eBird app and the website.

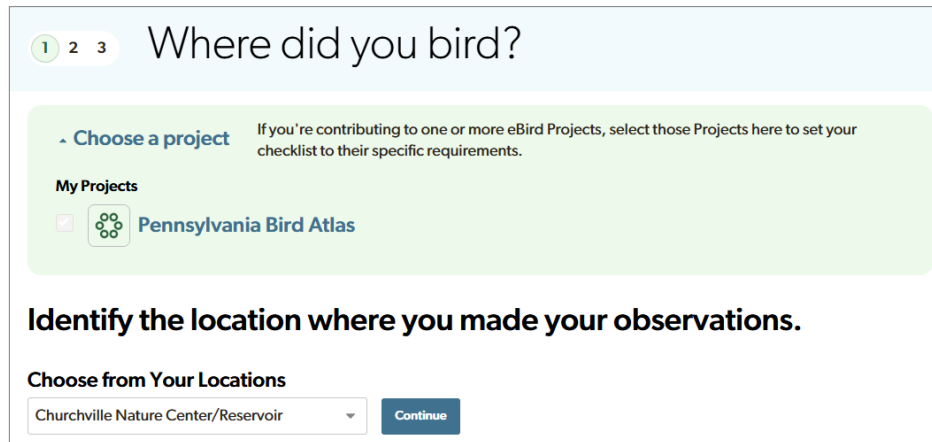


You will now see the notice that you have joined the project! If you use the eBird app, be sure to check for updates in the app settings to ensure everything works properly.



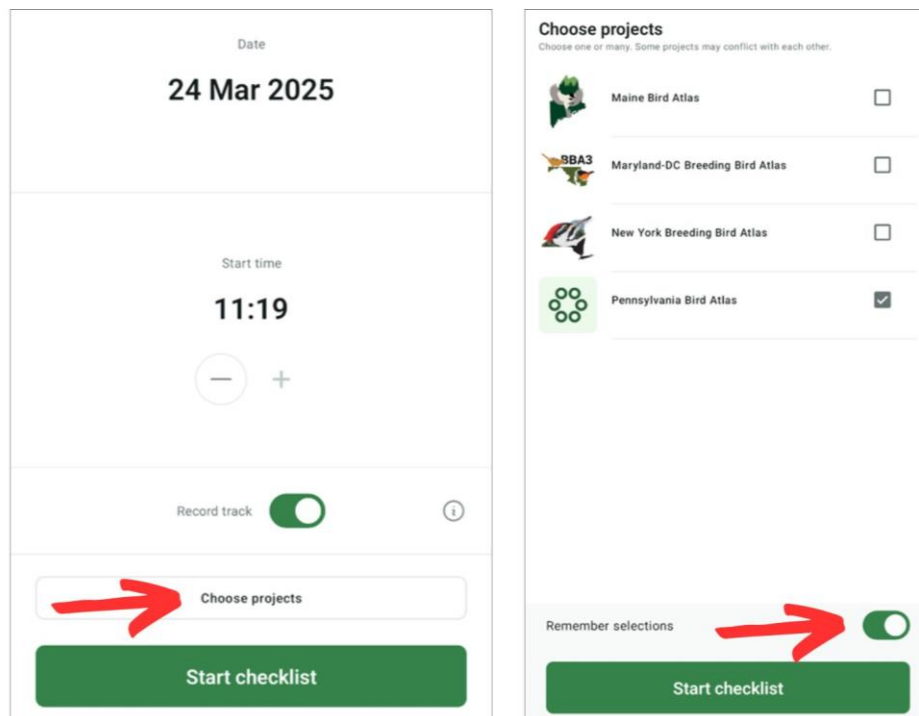
## Submit Data via Web Browser

The online data submission process is the same as before. Your checklists will automatically be submitted to the Atlas when you enter your checklists at <https://ebird.org/atlaspa/submit>.

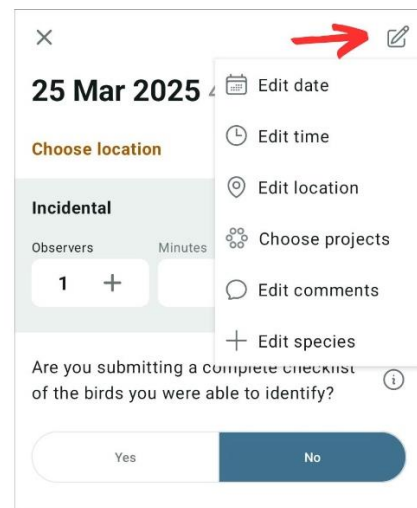


## Submit Data via Mobile App

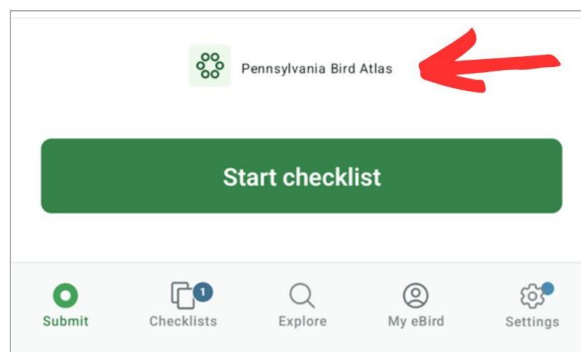
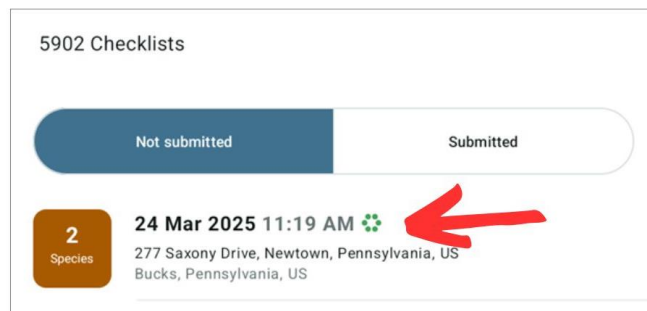
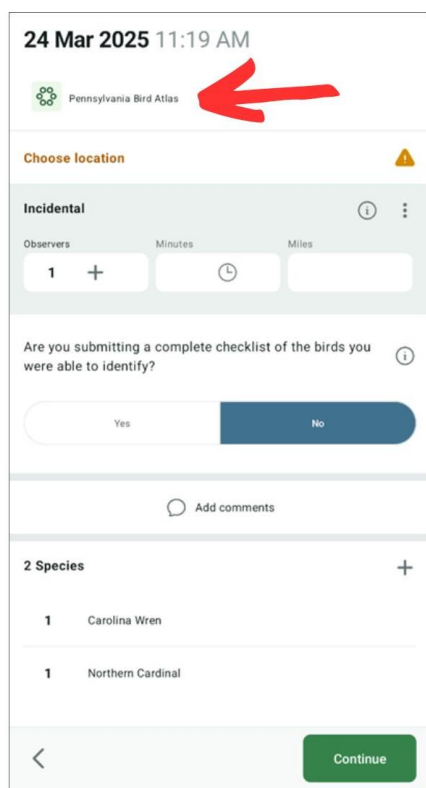
On the eBird app home screen, you will now see an option to “Choose projects.” Tap this button and select “Pennsylvania Bird Atlas” from the list of projects that you have joined. If you intend to stay in PA and contribute to the Atlas consistently, you can toggle the “Remember selections” slider at the bottom of the screen so that every checklist will submit to the PA Bird Atlas until you turn this feature off.



If you forget to turn on the Atlas project before starting a checklist, you can correct this before submitting. Tap the edit checklist symbol at the top right of the screen after you've stopped the checklist and select "Choose projects."



As you record and submit checklists in the mobile app, look for reminders that your checklists are going to the Atlas. At the top of your checklists, as well as next to your checklists in the "Checklists" tab, you will see the project symbol (note: this should be updated to the PA Bird Atlas logo soon). The eBird app home page will also show the symbol or logo if you have set the app to remember your selections.



## Need to Move a Checklist into a Project?

Did you forget to turn the PA Bird Atlas project on before submitting a checklist? No worries! From the [eBird home page](#), go to your checklists. Open the checklist of concern (make sure filters are turned off if you can't find your checklist), click "Checklist Tools" and then "Change Portal." Select the PA Bird Atlas.

