



## What is FrogWatch?

FrogWatch USA is AZA's citizen science program and provides individuals, groups, and families opportunities to learn about wetlands in their communities by reporting on the calls of local frogs and toads.

## Why study frogs?

Frogs and toads also play an important role, serving as both prey and predator, in wetland ecosystems and are considered indicators of environmental health. Many previously abundant frog and toad populations have experienced dramatic population declines both in the United States and around the world and it's essential that scientists understand the scope, geographic scale, and cause of these declines.

## Medina County Park District

We surveyed the following parks: Green Leaf, Plum Creek, Carolyn Ludwig Mugrage Park, Chippewa Inlet North and South, Letha House East and West, River Styx, Allardale, and Killbuck Lake East and West. Nine different species of frog were heard calling throughout the survey months of February through August. We had 10 volunteers make 162 observations.

## Akron Zoo Chapter

We joined the Akron Zoo Chapter of Frog Watch in 2016, which is now a partnership of the Akron Zoo, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, and Medina County Park District. There are a total of 64 trainees that found and described 86 sites for monitoring. There were also 465 observations turned in from the volunteers over these sites. There were 16 species of frogs reported (some are subspecies of the main species we listen for).

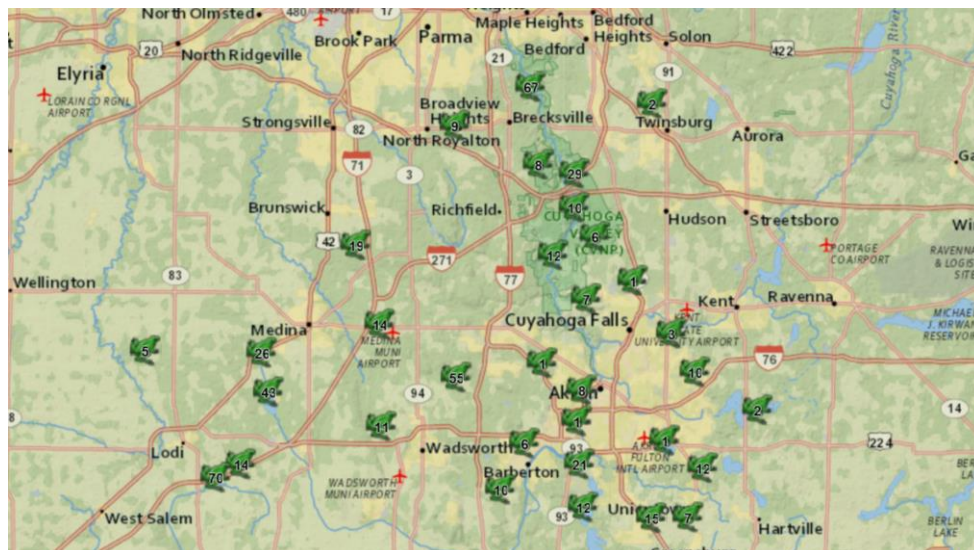


Figure 1. Map of all survey sites in the Akron Zoo Chapter of FrogWatch