



Personal Safety on the Research Ranch

At the Appleton-Whittell Research Ranch of the National Audubon Society (AWRR), we aim to provide experiences that are safe, positive, and memorable. Not only does this mean we work to keep visitors safe from environmental hazards like rattlesnakes and fire, but it also means protecting them from harassment, discrimination, violence, and abuse perpetrated by others on the AWRR, including but not limited to researchers, agency personnel, general visitors, contractors, and staff. **Anyone determined to be participating in discriminatory, harassing, or unsafe behavior on the AWRR may be immediately expelled from the property.**

While we will do our best to keep you safe, remember: our remote location and limited telecommunications infrastructure means that you play a significant role in ensuring your own safety. Please take the time to review the procedures below to help us ensure your well-being while on the AWRR.

Thank you for helping us keep the Research Ranch safe for all!

Emergency Contact: Landlines and limited cell phone coverage is available in the Swinging H, Bunkhouse, and Headquarters office. In case of emergency, call emergency personnel first and then call AWRR staff.

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| - General Emergency | 911 |
| - Border Patrol | 520.455.5051 |
| - AWRR Headquarters (landline) | 520.455.5522 |
| - AWRR cell phone (text or call) | 520.221.1571 |
| - Little Adobe (staff housing – landline) | 520.455.4663 |
| - Big Adobe (staff housing – landline) | 520.455.9201 |
| - Ranch email | researchranch@audubon.org |

Our Address:

Appleton-Whittell Research Ranch of the Nat'l Audubon Society
366 Research Ranch Road
Elgin, AZ 85611

If your health or safety are at immediate risk:

- 1) Get to safety if able. On site, the safest location is the Headquarters parking lot. It is a large enough space to be safe in case of fire and is where you will find AWRR staff most reliably. If off site or if forced to evacuate, then head to Sonoita Fairgrounds (3142 AZ-83, Sonoita, AZ 85637 – on the west side of State Route 83 just south of State Route 82)
- 2) Call 911



- 3) Inform/check in with AWRR staff either by phone or in-person (not by email). If calling during business hours, start with the Headquarters landline. If you don't get an answer or if calling outside of business hours, try the AWRR cell phone or either staff housing unit).

If you are feeling unsafe but not facing an immediate emergency:

- 1) Get to safety if able (see above).
- 2) Inform AWRR staff immediately either by phone, in person, or by email. If calling during business hours, start with the Headquarters landline. If you don't get an answer or if calling outside of business hours, try the AWRR cell phone or either staff housing unit).

Anonymous reporting:

If you need to report an issue but can't speak freely or fear retaliation, send us an email our come find an AWRR staff member at headquarters. From there, we can assess the situation, take action accordingly, and keep you safe until the issue is resolved.