

Pre-View Checklist - Ecosystems of the Basin

Recommended Materials*:

- Paper (all kinds and colors)
- Pencil, colored pencils, and/or crayons
- Scissors
- Glue or tape

In this Virtual Activity, you will...

1. Define the term **ecosystem**.
2. List the three primary factors we look for when identifying an ecosystem.
3. Explore a Louisiana ecosystem with Pontchartrain Conservancy and make observations about that environment.
4. Design and/or create a visual model of the ecosystem we explored.
5. Define the term **ecotone** and use a Venn diagram to list the qualities of an ecotone.
6. Explore the importance of the plant and animal species in an ecosystem.

*These materials are not required to participate in the video, but they are encouraged for a hands-on activity