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Birding Open House Slated on Saturday, September 7, 2013, at the Red River Valley Natural History Area, located across from the U of M Crookston on the West Side of Hwy. 2

By Itollefs on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 A birding open house is slated for Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013, and hosted by the University of Minnesota at the Red River Valley Natural History Area, located across from the Crookston campus on the west side of U.S. Highway 2. The open house runs from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Visitors will have the chance to see mist netting and bird banding demonstrations and tour a number of education stations including bird identification, bird feeding, bird beaks, and more. Representatives from the Purple Martin Association of the Dakotas and the Minnesota Master Naturalist Program will be available, and children will have the opportunity to make and take home birdfeeders and hike along the trails that wind through the 85-acre Natural History Area.

Driving Directions: From US 2 on the north side of Crookston, turn west on North Acres Drive (El Metate restaurant and Crookston Armory are at this corner), drive 0.25 miles, pass the residence, and follow the road as it turns right and heads north. Cross the railroad tracks and continue along the road as it turns west and northwest to the History Area parking lot. Directions:

<http://z.umn.edu/urocmaps>

For more information, contact Laura Bell at 218-281-8131 (lbell@umn.edu).

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