Instructions for Taking Geotagged Photos

Taking Photos:

Review the information below for your phone. If you choose to use a phone application for either iOS or an Android phone, please review the information on bullet point 3:

1. When using an iPhone

- a. Open/Unlock your phone
- b. Go to **Settings**, tap **Privacy** and then **Location Services**
- c. Tap Camera and then While Using
- d. See the screenshot below for additional information.

2. When using an Android Phone

- a. Go to your Android device's home screen, then press the "Menu" button. Tap "Settings" to access the settings menu.
- b. Drag your finger up the screen to scroll down the phone's menu until you find the "Location" option. Tap the "Location" option to continue. Note that on some Android devices this may be labeled "Location and Security."
- c. Tap the option labeled "Use GPS Satellites" to place a green check mark next to it. This option must be turned on for the geotagging option to work.
- d. Press the "Home" button to go back to the main screen, then tap the camera icon to launch your Android smartphone's camera.
- e. Tap the "Menu" button once the camera application loads, then tap the "Settings" option. On some Android cameras, this option will simply be a small cog icon.
- f. Scroll down to "Store Location in Pictures," or "Geo-tag Photos," depending on your OS version, and tap that option to put a green check mark next to it. Tap "OK" when you see a message telling you that the GPS function needs to be turned on. Your photos will now be geotagged with your location as long as your phone can get your position from the GPS satellites.

When using a geotagging phone application* (iPhone and Android) - Preferred

- a. Go into the application store within your phone (e.g., "Play Store", etc.) and find an application that geotags photos when they are taken. One application CDFA suggests for use is the GPS Map Camera: https://gpsmapcamera.com/.
- b. Download the selected application on your phone and ensure it is open and you are using it when taking photos you would like geotagged.

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Example - Screenshot of iPhone that allow photos with geotagging information



Example - Geotagged photo using the GPS Map Camera app.

