Supplementary Information 1. Information asked to and shared with potential collaborators of the research community of the anthropause bird survey in Colombia.

Full name: ____________________________________________

Email: _______________________________________________

Bird identification experience: □ < 1 year □ 1-3 years □ 3-5 years □ > 5 years

Name of the urban center: ______________________________________________

What kind of information could you take?

☐ Morning sampling ☐ Night sampling

Height of the bird record from the ground: ________________________________

How often will you be able to collect data?

☐ Daily ☐ Every second day ☐ Every third day

What is your intention with the data collection?

☐ Only to provide information

☐ To be considered as co-author of the publications considering authorship requirements

Acceptance of the following pledge:

☐ “I agree to adhere to the above selected from the initial day of the bird survey protocol at least until one month after the quarantine (social isolation) ends. Remember that it is essential that this work does not go against quarantine, so we ask that you follow the official instructions and only register birds in a place that is 100% safe (even if it can only be done from a window).”

The bird survey protocol is the following:

The counting points consist of imaginary circles (cylinders) with a radius of 50m, where all the birds seen and heard that are making use of the habitat will be recorded (individuals that fly over should not be recorded) for 10 minutes. The samplings will be made between morning and night, between 06:00–09:00 and between 09:00–12:00 (21:00-24:00) hours. Only birds that are eating, singing, exploring within the sampling area will be recorded. Those birds that carry out their feeding in flight (swifts, swallows), should be noted. The use of “playback” or “pishing” should not be done during the samplings, but it can be done to confirm the identification after the 10 minutes have finished.

The points must be sampled every day or, failing that, every other day. If you can or want to do more than 1 counting point, you must be at least 200 m away from the other. The distances (50 m radius and 300 m between points) can be estimated with a cell phone, GPS, steps, etc. The important thing is that the estimates are as realistic as possible. If the appropriate weather conditions do not exist to do the sampling (rain or strong winds, extreme noise), you can wait for them to cease to start the sampling.
Taxonomy must follow Scientific nomenclature of the South American Classification Committee (Remsem et al. 2020). If an individual cannot be identified, the observer must record the individual and identify it at least to the genus level. In those cases, you must register the species as sp (e.g., Empidonax sp.). The data referring to these records must be recorded in the same way as the other species. Any comments on the identification, marks, edges, photos, recordings, etc., will be very useful to achieve the identification, if necessary.

If necessary, to identify a bird, the observer can move within the circle, but always taking into account the radius sampled. Before beginning the surveys, become familiar with the birds in your area. Finally, this exercise does not seek to make an inventory of the birds present in the area, but only a sample of those that are within 10 minutes of sampling. If you only recorded 2 birds in the 10 minutes, don’t worry. Upload the data daily to the Google Drive that will be shared directly to avoid errors, confusion, forgetfulness, etc.

Supplementary Information 2. Information asked of the collaborators of the research community for the anthropause bird surveys in Colombia who responded to the survey in appendix 1.

Full name: ___________________________________________

Email: _________________________________________________________________________

Bird identification experience: □ < 1 year          □ 1-3 years          □ 3-5 years          □ > 5 years

Name of the urban center: ___________________________________________

Name of the department: ___________________________________________

Coordinates of geographic latitude and longitude of the survey point using decimal degrees: _________________________________________________________________________

[Indications on the way to obtain such information from Google Maps using an smartphone were given].

Specify if the samplings will be done:

□ At ground level (in a garden or parking lot)

□ From the window of an apartment (reference to a semi-circle of 50 m in diameter; if necessary).

Acceptation of the following pledge:

□ “Due to the nature of the conditions under which people live in relation to COVID-19, it is imperative that participants fully adhere to the norms and standards recommended by official bodies and, if necessary, suspend observations”

Acceptance of the following agreement:

□ “For those volunteers who have expressed their desire to participate in publications derived from these samplings, we reiterate that sending information will not be enough to be credited with an
authorship. To do this, they must participate in at least 3 of the following areas: conception of the idea, data collection, analysis, interpretation of results, writing, editorial monitoring. In case of not participating in at least 3 of the aforementioned items, the collaborator will be mentioned in the Acknowledgments section. It should be noted that for a volunteer to be a candidate to be co-author of any of the publications derived from this effort, their data must be complete and must have been used in the document in question (since it is probable that not all documents include all the samplings).”

**Supplementary Information 3.** Information and some guidance on the information to be shared by the research community in the spreadsheet for the anthropause bird surveys in Colombia.

Full name of the observer: ______________________________________________________________

Point ID: ____________________________________________________________________________

Date: dd / mm / yyyy

Start time: __________________________________________________________________________

During the point counts the following data should be recorded:

Species: Scientific name. Following the nomenclature of the South American Classification Committee (Remsem, et al. 2020)

Each individual record: should correspond to one field in the spreadsheet; therefore, if you see three individuals of the same species, there must be three fields on the spreadsheet with the same species name.

Type of detection:  ☐ Visual (V)  ☐ Auditory (A)  ☐ Both (VA)

Other recommendations:

If possible, record the height above the ground where each registered individual is standing.

Remember it is 10 minutes. Never finish counts before 10 minutes. Do not record birds heard or seen before or after this time.

**Supplementary Information 4.** Information asked of all the potential collaborators after the anthropause bird surveys in Colombia finished.

I learned, got acquainted with and / or got to know the birds present in my city or neighborhood:

☐ Totally agree  ☐ Agree  ☐ Neither disagree nor agree

I would repeat this activity or a similar one in the future:
☐ Totally agree ☐ Agree ☐ Neither disagree nor agree

Main reason to join this bird survey:
☐ Academic ☐ Leisure

Main reason to continue the bird survey:
☐ Academic ☐ Leisure

If you abandoned the bird survey, what was the reason?
☐ Personal ☐ Academic ☐ Working

**Supplementary List 5.** List of interested collaborators we acknowledge because they kindly take the time to answer to the initial call to join a community of researchers. Note that four names are authors of the manuscript.

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Arley Omar Gallardo Rico
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Carlos Andrés Pizo Herrera
Carlos Mario Wagner-Wagner
Carlos Mauricio Trujillo Torres
Chriistian Trejos
Cristhian David Gaitán García
Cristian Camilo Castaño Vargas
Daniela Alejandra Espinosa Salazar
Daniela Cortés Díaz
Daniela Gomez
Daniela Gómez Castillo
David Lopez
David Ocampo Duque
Diana Patricia Deaza Curico
Diego Cadena
Diego Cueva
Elkin René Briceño Lara
Enrick Meza Angulo
Esteban Carrillo Chica
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