

WHC CERTIFICATION SAINTE-SOPHIE LANDFILL



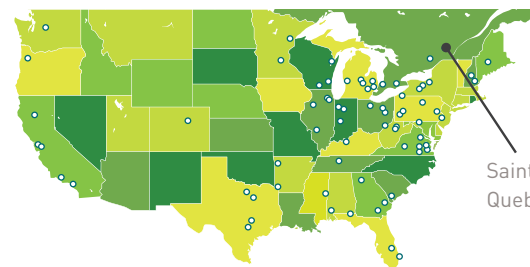
For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Sainte-Sophie Landfill in Quebec, Canada, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on birds, forests and reptiles and amphibians. **The conservation program at Sainte-Sophie Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2006.**

PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- In order to support native bird of prey species that have declined in recent decades, the team has installed multiple nesting boxes to provide valuable locations for breeding and rearing. The boxes were installed in locations with foraging opportunities nearby. The team has observed the boxes being successfully used by American kestrels and tree swallows.
- The team monitored a hibernaculum that serves as an ideal wintering area for native reptilian species that often struggle to serve the cold seasons of the region. The team did not observe the hibernaculum being used, but the data collected informs next steps of the project, including removing invasive species and building more wintering sites.






WM has achieved WHC Certification for conservation programs across North America



Sainte-Sophie Landfill, Quebec, Canada

CONSERVATION PROJECTS

-  **AVIAN**
Platform for Raptors
-  **FOREST**
Revegetation Berme
-  **REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS**
Overwintering Hibernacula

RESOURCES

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