

WHC CONSERVATION CERTIFICATION®

EL SOBRANTE LANDFILL AND WILDLIFE PRESERVE



For more than 20 years, Waste Management (WM) has partnered with Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC) to promote sustainability, wildlife preservation, biodiversity and environmental education at the company's WHC-certified sites. At El Sobrante Landfill and Wildlife Preserve in Corona, California, employees actively manage over 1,000 acres for conservation projects focused on grasslands, wetlands, mammals, species of concern and education. **The conservation program at El Sobrante Landfill and Wildlife Preserve has been WHC-certified since 2003.**

PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

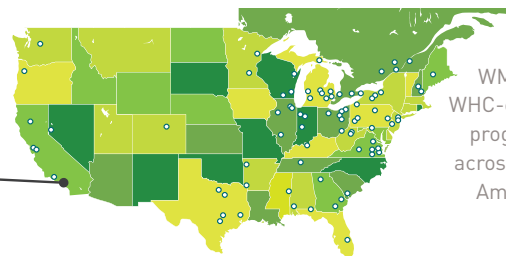
- A riparian restoration habitat is managed with the ultimate goal of replacing invasive weed species with native riparian species.
- Artificial burrows were installed to provide sheltering and nesting opportunities for the burrowing owl.
- The California gnatcatcher is supported through habitat in the coastal sage scrub for nesting, foraging and shelter.
- Stephens' kangaroo rat, a species of concern in California, is protected on 183 acres of maintained habitat. This land is actively improved through targeted weeding and debris removal. Monitoring of the species includes surveys of active burrows, scat, and trails.
- Local Scout troops are hosted yearly and provided with educational opportunities to learn about endangered species and conservation.
- In 2019, El Sobrante hosted a Summer Day Camp for local children with the goal of providing the community with outdoor, hands-on learning opportunities.



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El Sobrante Landfill and Wildlife Preserve, Corona, CA



WM has WHC-certified programs across North America

CONSERVATION PROJECTS



AVIAN

Burrowing Owl, California Gnatcatcher



AWARENESS AND ENGAGEMENT

Scout Projects, Summer Day Camp, Tours



GRASSLAND

Grassland Habitat, Many-Stemmed Dudleya



MAMMALS

Stephens' Kangaroo Rat



OTHER HABITATS

Riversidian Sage Scrub



SPECIES OF CONCERN

Stephens' Kangaroo Rat



WETLANDS AND WATER BODIES

Riparian Habitat

RESOURCES

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