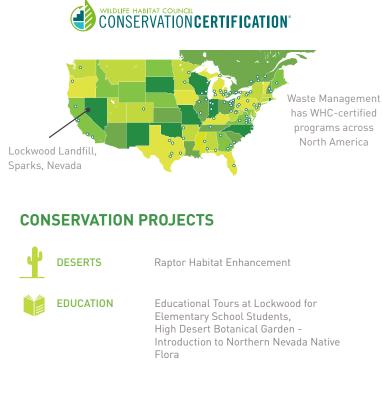
## WHC CONSERVATION CERTIFICATION®

For more than 20 years, Waste Management has partnered with Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC) to promote sustainability, wildlife preservation, biodiversity and environmental education at the company's WHC-certified sites. At Lockwood Landfill in Sparks, Nevada, employees actively manage 3,450 acres for conservation projects focused on deserts and education. **The conservation program at Lockwood Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2010.** 

## **PRACTICES AND IMPACTS**

- Botanical garden planted with various plant species native to Nevada, all marked with identifying signage to increase engagement and awareness.
- More than 100 visitors experience the native plant garden each day.
- Raptor perches, guzzlers and brush piles installed on-site to support native raptor populations, including Cooper's hawks, golden eagles and American kestrels.
- Monitoring and maintainance conducted to ensure positive impacts for habitat project.
- Local students regularly hosted on-site to provide an understanding of the unique operation of a landfill, how it can be managed to reduce impacts to the environment, and how the actions of each individual can help reduce waste. Special attention paid to the site's raptor habitat enhancement project and why it's important to the overall ecosystem of property.



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