## WHC CERTIFICATION QUITE CREEK DLIFE HABITAT ARE

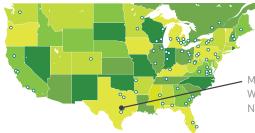
For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Mesquite Creek Wildlife Habitat Area in New Braunfels, Texas, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on wetlands and waterbodies. The conservation program at Mesquite Creek Wildlife Habitat Area has been WHC-certified since 2010.

## PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- Marsh monitoring surveys are conducted using Cornell Lab of Ornithology protocols.
- A diverse mix of native trees, shoreline plants and aquatic plants, along with various wildflowers and grasses, was planted in Bubba's Wetlands.
- Basking logs, brush piles and a floating island were installed in the wetland to provide turtle habitat.
- Team members actively monitor and manage the wetland habitat to ensure a native species composition.



WM has achieved WHC Certification for conservation programs across North America



Mesquite Creek Wildlife Habitat Area, New Braunfels, Texas

## **CONSERVATION PROJECTS**



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