



Maryland Green Registry MEMBER

The Maryland Green Registry promotes and recognizes sustainable practices at organizations of all types and sizes. Members agree to share at least five environmental practices and one measurable result while striving to continually improve their environmental performance.

Izaak Walton League of America Rockville Chapter

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Conservation and Recreational Park
Member since June 2013

Management and Leadership

Environmental Policy Statement

The Izaak Walton League Pledge calls for “striving for the purity of water, the clarity of air, and the wise stewardship of the land and its resources.” The Rockville Chapter policy is to implement this commitment in practice by adopting best practices as part of an Environmental Management System.

We will comply with all laws and strive to improve our stewardship of natural resources so that future generations may enjoy them and we may serve as a model for conservation and recreation management. We will assess and monitor impacts to the environment from our activities and implement plans to reduce and prevent impacts to the land, water, and flora entrusted to us.

We will review and measure progress in meeting goals on a regular basis. We will seek opportunities to continually improve our performance in meeting goals, and will report progress to stakeholders. We are committed to achieving environmental excellence and being recognized as a leader among IWLA Chapters nationally and within the State of Maryland.

Environmental Team

Chapter President, Range Managers, and other Board Members compose the EMS Committee/Cross Functional Team which meets once a month. The team develops environmental programs and stewardship plans to reduce environmental

impacts, directs implementation and training, reviews tests, audits, and assessments, then plans improvements.

Annual Environmental Goals

After conducting an annual assessment, including aspects and impacts analysis with risk assessment, goals, with targets and objectives, are established. This year's goals include enhanced stewardship plans for surrounding areas, water quality monitoring, lead recovery and recycling programs, prevent offsite impacts to land and water, and maintain a healthy pH balance of soil. Objectives include no detectable impact to offsite land and water, and net improvement of water and soil quality.

Environmental Restoration or Community Environmental Projects

The Rockville Chapter sponsors numerous conservation, habitat preservation, and environmental restoration projects on our property and surrounding areas with community groups such as local boy and girl scout troops, civic organizations, state, and national organizations. Our property includes a protected Chestnut Orchid preserve and nature trails. See website: www.IWLA-Rockville.org

Independently-Audited Environmental Management System

The Rockville Chapter has an ISO 14001, US EPA compliance-focused Environmental Management System.

Waste

Recycling

Our annual clean up and recycling program collects a minimum of 5,000 lbs of material. Recovered materials are recycled and reused whenever feasible. We also have an environmental program to recover and recycle a minimum of 10,000 lbs of lead in the 2013/14 EMS year; more in subsequent years, if feasible.

Water

Stormwater Management and Site Design

The property has minimized paved surfaces. All drive ways and parking lots are permeable gravel and the nature trails, landscaping and pond are

designed and maintained to minimize runoff, as well as conserve water resources and recreational opportunities such as fishing.

Other



See environmental activities and awards, including from Maryland DNR at www.IWLA-Rockville.org



Maryland

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