

IWF is currently working to register this event for continuing education credits from the American Society of Landscape Architects, the American Institute of Architects, and the American Planning Association.

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Hardcopy forms are also available on request.



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# The Environmental Habitat Steward Certificate Program

offered by  
the Indiana Wildlife Federation



The Environmental Habitat Steward Certificate Program is designed for professionals including landscape architects, local and regional planners, architects, engineers, contractors, and developers. Participants will learn fundamental concepts in habitat management and current practices that can be used to preserve or enhance habitats. After this training, participants will be able to apply environmental principles to their traditional professional methods in creative and innovative ways based on the needs of particular project.

## The Program:

### The goals for this project are to:

1. Increase the environmental knowledge of planners, landscape architects, engineers, and developers throughout the state.
2. Encourage development professionals to adopt habitat conservation, preservation, or enhancement practices.
3. Increase the amount of environmental habitat that is preserved and/or enhanced during human development projects.

The program will consist of two weekend workshops with each weekend comprised of two eight-hour days for a total of 32 hours of environmental training. Included will be a final examination that will be required for certification. Workshop participants will be exposed to readings, lectures, discussions, and activities to facilitate critical-thinking and enhance comprehension of fundamental environmental concepts. All training materials will be approved by a board of professionals to ensure an appropriate quality of content.



### Training Benefits:

1. Upon successful completion of the program, participants will receive a certification from the Indiana Wildlife Federation acknowledging and recognizing their accomplishment.
2. Each participant will receive an Environmental Habitat Steward Training Book that will contain all of the materials used during the training as well as information regarding additional resources that may be available.
3. Each participant will gain valuable knowledge that will let them take advantage of programs such as the Sustainable Sites Initiative and U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program.
4. Each participant will be able to meet and network with a variety of environmental professionals.
5. Participants will gain knowledge of IWF's Wildlife Friendly Certification Program which provides assistance and recognition for sustainable development projects.
6. This extensive training opportunity will be offered at a discounted price of \$50 per registrant.

### Post-training Benefits:

1. IWF will publicly recognize companies and organizations that staff Environmental Habitat Stewards. An up-to-date list of these companies, their services, and periodic "Featured Projects" will be advertised through IWF workshops, our website, IWF's Hoosier Conservation magazine, and various other public events.
2. Additional networking will be available through IWF events and workshops.
3. Participants will have the necessary knowledge to initiate and plan for an IWF Wildlife Friendly Certification.
4. Continued access to a variety of technical resources and information will be made available that will help Environmental Habitat Stewards expand on the concepts covered during their training.