

BIRD CITY INFORMATION

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The Village Board has made application to be recognized and designated as a Bird City. Being a Bird City recognizes the value of migratory birds and their contribution in controlling pests. It recognizes the threats to a healthy bird population. It directs attention of the public on the 350 plus species of birds that travel between their nesting habitats in North America and wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico and the southern United States.

The De Soto Village Board has passed a resolution declaring the second Saturday of October 2013, as International Migratory Bird Day in De Soto. De Soto's location the Mississippi River along one of the major flyways of migratory birds. It makes it an ideal location for viewing vast numbers of species that live in wet lands and other habitats.

For further information, or if you would like to be involved, contact the Village at 608-648-2700 or email at vdesoto@mwt.net.

The Village of De Soto would like to provide the community with information on methods to create and enhance backyard habitat for birds and about habitat programs.

Some examples will be:

Wisconsin Bird Conservation Initiative www.wisconsinbirds.org/

Wisconsin Audubon www.wisconsinaudubon.org/wisconsinaudubon/

Wisconsin Ravel www.wistravel.com/activities-in-wisconsin/bird-watching/

National Wildlife Foundation www.nwf.org.

Wisconsin Society for Ornithology www.wsobird.org