



SAINTE-MARIE AMONG THE HURONS

As a National Historic Site, Sainte-Marie among the Hurons maintains a deep rooted connection to the land and environs surrounding Southern Georgian Bay. The environmental commitment to the management of the historic attraction has been carried through to the green, sustainable development of the new Administration and Maintenance Building which achieved LEED® Gold certification in 2013.

"We are pleased that together we have attained LEED® Gold Certification," said Bob Neally, Director of Project Services at Infrastructure Ontario. "Achieving this level of sustainability and environmental stewardship would not have been possible without a concerted effort by every partner on this project."

Jan Gray, General Manager of Huronia Historical Parks (HHP) states, "The design and build process was managed with rateable LEED® categories front of mind. We achieved a 30% water use reduction, we managed to divert 88% of the construction waste from landfill and used materials that had 35% recycled content and were manufactured regionally."

HHP notes the green building has improved the quality of working life and staff are thrilled to be in this new environment. HHP is communicating all the LEED® information on their web site, in a brochure, and via a video screen in the reception area. Jan Gray has also briefed several organizations contemplating LEED® certification for their proposed new building projects.

John Alley, MHPM Project Managers Inc. notes, "We are particularly pleased that the project earned points where they mattered most. The overall building efficiency and geothermal heating/cooling system will minimize operating costs and the Water Efficiency scores will reduce costs and minimize pressure on the nearby Wye Marsh."

Mario Lusi, President of Ameresco Canada Inc. adds, "We are committed to a healthier environment. This project reduces greenhouse gas emissions, conserves resources and reduces dependence on costly, non-renewable energy resources. Congratulations to Sainte-Marie among the Hurons for achieving LEED® Gold Certification and distinguishing themselves as a leader among visitor centres across Canada."



MAJOR TEAM MEMBERS:

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OPERATORS Huronia Historical Parks

PROJECT MANAGERS MHPM Project Managers Inc.

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LEED SCORECARD – GOLD

Sustainable Sites	7/14
Water Efficiency	4/5
Energy & Atmosphere	10/17
Materials & Resources	6/14
Indoor Environmental Quality	10/15
Innovation & Design	4/5
PROJECT TOTALS	41/70



The project team is proud of this accomplishment

From left to right: Mario Lusi, Ameresco; Harold Murray, LEED AP; Peter Archer, Architect; Frank Miceli, Ameresco; Jan Gray, Huronia Historical Parks; John Alley, MHPM; John Burnstead, MHPM.

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