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the Technoparc Wetlands

Description

Join the 2nd Annual Good Friday Migration for the Birds

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The second annual **Good Friday Migration to save the Technoparc Wetlands** is coming up soon. Nature lovers, birdwatchers and photographers will join together to bring awareness to the development threats looming over this number one birdwatching hotspot on the Island of Montreal. Last year, this event attracted over 200 people who saw a combined total of 63 species of birds but also observed first-hand how the area is being developed and perilously degraded by green-blind business interests despite a pending legal injunction and common-sense alternatives.

Little known, the Technoparc Wetlands and surrounding areas are home to a vast array of biodiversity including large numbers of nesting and migrating birds. Two threatened species, the Least Bittern and the Wood Thrush are among the many raising their young here. As no wildlife impact studies were conducted prior to beginning the development work, it is difficult to know the exact magnitude of what is being lost but other rare or threatened species could be in the mix.

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Skilled birders, both English and French speaking, will be on site to guide groups of visitors around the trails and help identify the birds, their songs and their various and often remarkable behaviours. Birds of prey, bird feeder species, new spring arrivals and maybe even an owl or two could be seen on this day. At the end of the morning all the groups will come together to share their discoveries in a big bird count. Who knows how many species will be seen this year, or if there will be another first-time bird for the area like last year when a Wild Turkey swooped in directly overhead.

Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to participate.

Date: **Good Friday, March 30, 2018**

Time: 9 am to noon



Location: Meet on Chemin St. François near the farmer's house (#7595)

Note: GPS does not work in this area because it is so close to the airport. Be sure to understand directions.

Directions

Coming from Highway 40 either eastbound or westbound look for the Alfred Nobel/Hymus exit then follow the Technoparc Montreal signs that will bring you onto Boulevard Alfred Nobel. Continue along Boulevard Alfred Nobel until the end, which brings you to Rue Alexander Fleming. Turn left on Rue Alexander Fleming and continue to the end, which brings you to Chemin St. François. Turn right on Chemin St. François and continue about halfway down until you see the farmer's house (#7595) on the right. Parking is available on both sides of the street for most of the length of Chemin St. François.

Coming from Highway 20 either eastbound or westbound take the Boulevard Sources exit north. Continue along Boulevard Sources until Avenue Avro where you turn right. Continue along Avenue Avro (which changes its name twice) to the end until you reach Boulevard Alfred Nobel. Turn right onto Boulevard Alfred Nobel and continue to the end, which brings you to Rue Alexander Fleming. Turn left on Rue Alexander Fleming and continue to the end, which brings you to Chemin St. François. Turn right on Chemin St. François and continue about halfway down until you see the farmer's house (#7595) on the right. Parking is available on both sides of the street for most of the length of Chemin St. François.

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