

America's public lands give a hoot!



This Boreal Owl was rescued from a vault toilet near the South Fork Salmon River Drainage. Photo courtesy of USDA Forest Service.

This public land agency has made it safer for owls by implementing the

Poo-Poo Project

Preventing Wildlife Entrapment On Your Public Lands

Vault toilets on America's public lands have open, vertical ventilation pipes that pose hazards to birds and other wildlife. Each year, thousands of cavity-nesting birds that prefer dark, narrow spaces for nesting and roosting enter these open pipes and become entrapped in effluent, eventually dying. This widespread problem impacts several species of concern.

In 2010, Teton Raptor Center (TRC), a nonprofit raptor education, research and rehabilitation organization located in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, addressed this problem by installing vent screens in Grand Teton National Park and Bridger-Teton and Caribou-Targhee National Forests. In 2012, TRC's Poo-Poo Project developed its own vent screen to prevent wildlife entrapment on a national scale. TRC's Poo-Poo Screens are easy to install, affordable, durable and they effectively protect wildlife without compromising vault toilet pipe ventilation.



Left: A Teton Raptor Center vent screen. The Poo-Poo Project's goal is to prevent wildlife entrapment within vent pipes without compromising ventilation by installing these screens across the U.S.

Right: Northern Saw-whet Owl rescued from a vault toilet in the Hume Lake Ranger District in Sequoia National Forest. Photo by Diane Diebold.



Be a Poo-Poo Partner!
With dozens of species of cavity-nesting birds found throughout the U.S., *open pipes everywhere threaten a wide variety of wildlife.* If you are interested in bringing the Poo-Poo Project to your area, please contact:

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