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UK – Event to celebrate 15 years

of partnership with RSPB. 15th November sees a celebratory event to mark the 15th Anniversary of Cemex UK's partnership with the RSPB. A day to highlight achievements and consider how best to deliver on our Nature Positive future.



France – Progress developing a Nature Positive Baseline

Progress towards achieving the corporate target of developing a biodiversity baseline so we can measure progress towards a positive impact for habitats and species has been ongoing for Cemex France for the last few months. Cemex France is a large business and 32 quarries had to be mapped. This links to ongoing progress across Europe during 2024. The images below show the mapping tool and highlight two French Quarries – Cintegabelle near Toulouse and Bouafles near Paris. The colours represent different habitat types at the quarries.



SPAIN – Cemex harvests more than 110,000 kg of grapes from it Yepes quarry-vineyard.

Cemex has announced the harvesting of 110,000 kilograms of grapes from its 'Viña Canterana' vineyard, located in the old quarry in Yepes (Toledo), an area that for almost a century supplied limestone to the factory in the same town. This restoration project is an outstanding example of the company's commitment to sustainability and the recovery of mining areas.

The quarry, which was converted into a vineyard more than 20 years ago, currently has 92,000 vines of Merlot, Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes, distributed over 30 hectares. This consolidated vineyard has not only allowed the land to recover but has also achieved total integration with the environment and has contributed to generating wealth and local employment in the region. The project has been adapted to the climatic and environmental conditions of the area, maintaining agricultural traditions of the region.



Germany – An opportunity for Biodiversity & Nature Conservation.

Cemex's quarries provide important habitats for various precious and sometimes extremely rare animal and plant species. To preserve this diversity during the extraction process, Cemex intends to develop biodiversity action plans for all sites. These plans are designed to raise awareness of diversity and develop practical steps to preserve and promote valuable habitats and species.

The unique biotopes in the Rüdersdorf quarry were surveyed in detail. The resulting map shows that a large number of different habitats that can be found in a small site, but also the great potential these areas offer for rare species.







Poland – Ornithological Inventory in the Latosówka Quarry.

Ornithologists conducted eight field inspections at the Latosówka plant to identify species. The research helped to establish that there are a total of 62 species of birds in the plant, of which, 46 are breeding or likely breeding. The identified species included 3 representatives of the Red List of Polish Birds and 3 species from the Birds Directive.

The most attractive species identified in Latosówka include northern lapwing, common redshank and little ringed plover. As the ornithologists emphasized in the report - optimal habitats for these birds occur in this place due to the way the land is used.

The results will create actions for the Biodiversity Plan and help maintain habitats valuable for the identified species.



Croatia: Research on mammals in the quarry.

With help from Croatia's wildlife partner BIOM, plans to survey the mammals in the county's quarries were undertaken. The results will be used to inform the biodiversity baseline research for a Biodiversity Plan.

Camera traps were installed in June, and first collections of photos was done in September. The 3 cameras activate when animals pass close to the sensors. The cameras will remain in situ until December 2024.

The complex topography with lots of undisturbed patches covered with dense bushes and Mediterranean forest, with omnipresent ponds in depressions, offers a safe oasis for a surprisingly large number of mammals:

Wild Boars, Badgers, Foxes, Golden Jackals and Stone Martins

All living inside the quarry, hiding in the dense Spanish Broom scrublands or piles of undisturbed rocks.



Czech Republic – Prachovice a plan for Nature

Plans are in place to expand the quarry to increase the working life of the Cement works. This required a better knowledge of the quarry and the surrounding area in relation to the impacts on Biodiversity. The research highlighted the fact that the existing site has a minimal impact and in many instances is helping protected or rare species. This includes bats found roosting in neaby woods and caves. In total 13 species were identified. The research highlighted that the woodland edge created by the quarry was an important feeding area for the bats.

The report highlighted the best methods to restore the site. This includes leaving exposed cliff faces and access to underground caves. Planting 7.5 ha of native woodland and scrub. Large areas will be allowed to naturally regenerate, and we know from experience this approach has already helped biodiversity on site. The restoration will also include a lake and wetlands.



We would be pleased to hear from you and receive any pictures of nature you spot on your sites. Please email your country Sustainability Manager. Thanks CEMEX Europe Sustainability Team.