## WHC CERTIFICATION

For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Chaffee Landfill in Chaffee, New York, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on forests. The conservation program at Chaffee Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2018.

## PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- This site consists of roughly 500 acres where a portion is set aside as the Chaffee Wildlife Preserve. The preserve consists of a variety of habitats including remediation ponds, fields, shrubby areas and forests. The goal of this preserve is to attract an array of native plant and wildlife species to increase biodiversity in the surrounding area.
- The preserve is monitored four times a year through observational hikes throughout the site. Plant and wildlife visual and auditory observations are noted, and many of the same species are seen year after year.



WM has achieved WHC Certification for conservation programs across North America



## **CONSERVATION PROJECTS**



Chaffee Wildlife Preserve

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