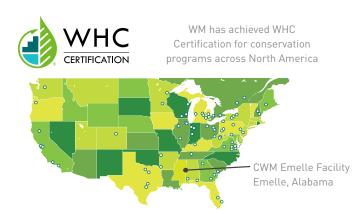


For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At CWM Emelle Facility in Emelle, Alabama, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on birds, forests, grasslands, invasive species and mammals. **The conservation program at CWM Emelle Facility has been WHC-certified since 2012.**

PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- White-tailed deer and eastern wild turkey populations are managed by providing access to shelter, breeding areas, food and water. Hunting is also used as an adaptive management measure.
- Native mourning doves are provided with food and shelter to help the populations withstand migration and the changing seasons.
- White-tailed deer are monitored and tracked in partnership with the Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (ADWFF) and the Alabama Cooperative Deer Management Assistance Program.
- The native habitat restoration is managed through prescribed burning, fertilization and planting of native vegetation.
- Invasive plant and animal species in the area are monitored and controlled.
- Hardwood and pine forested areas are managed to encourage a successional forest.



CONSERVATION PROJECTS



AVIANMourning Dove



FOREST
Mixed Pine/Hardwood



GRASSLANDBlack Belt Prairie



INVASIVE SPECIES
Exotic/Invasive Plants, Feral Hog



MAMMALS

White Tailed Deer and Turkey

RESOURCES

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