WHC CERTIFICATION LAKE VIEW LANDFILL

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 Lake View Landfill in Erie, Pennsylvania, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on birds and mammals. **The conservation program at Lake View Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2008.**

PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- Brush piles are created from materials being moved on-site, from excavation or other projects, to create habitat for a variety of species to utilize for taking cover, eating, nesting, breeding and roosting. The team maintains the brush piles and continues to build new piles from excavated trees, branches, leaves and boulders as they become available.
- Over the years, the team has observed 45 different wildlife species.
- In order to help cavity-nesting bird species that have been impacted by loss of suitable nesting habitat, the team has maintained nesting boxes around the grassland and wetland areas on-site.
- There are currently ten boxes in use, which were newly installed in 2020.
- Since 2017, the project site has been monitored by the Motus Wildlife Tracking System, which uses radio telemetry to identify bird species. The data collected is transmitted and used by researchers studying bird populations.

