

WHC CERTIFICATION

# MIDDLE PENINSULA LANDFILL AND RECYCLING FACILITY



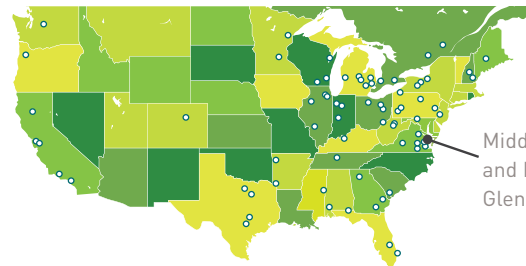
For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Middle Peninsula Landfill and Recycling Facility in Glens, Virginia, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on birds, bats and landscaped habitats. **The conservation program at Middle Peninsula Landfill and Recycling Facility has been WHC-certified since 2011.**

## PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- The team created a wildflower meadow with native species including shortleaf pine, red mulberry, black locust and paw paw. The meadow provides habitat for insects and other pollinators, as well as foraging areas for birds and bats.
- The meadow is mowed annually to prevent woody growth in late fall after the bird nesting and wildflower growing seasons are over.
- Bird boxes and houses were installed to provide habitat for cavity-nesting birds, including eastern bluebirds and purple martins.
- Bat boxes were installed to support native bat species. All on-site bat and bird boxes are regularly monitored for activity.



WM has achieved WHC Certification for conservation programs across North America



SILVER STATUS

## CONSERVATION PROJECTS



AVIAN

Eastern Bluebird, Middle Peninsula Purple Martins



BATS

Middle Peninsula Bats



LANDSCAPED

Wildflower Meadow - Capped Landfill

## RESOURCES

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