

# WHC CERTIFICATION LIBERTY LANDFILL



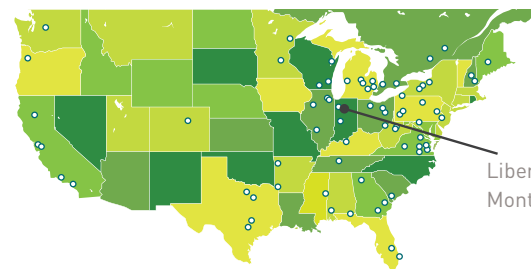
For more than 30 years, WM has partnered with WHC (Wildlife Habitat Council) to enhance and protect thousands of acres to support sustainability programs, biodiversity initiatives and environmental education. By transforming land into certified wildlife habitats, WM is helping communities thrive. At Liberty Landfill in Monticello, Indiana, employees actively manage conservation projects focused on awareness and engagement, forests, grasslands and wetlands and waterbodies. **The conservation program at Liberty Landfill has been WHC-certified since 2008.**

## PRACTICES AND IMPACTS

- The ponds and wetlands on-site are managed for wildlife, promoting natural diversity and enhancing water quality. The Liberty Landfill fosters a better understanding and appreciation of natural resources, particularly water quality, plant and wildlife diversity, wildlife interactions and natural succession.
- The team also has been managing 48 acres of forest to preserve the existing forested areas of the landfill as well as create habitat for forest-dependent plants and animals in a primarily agricultural area where forested areas are lacking.
- The 68-acre grassland habitat has been managed since 2003 for the purposes of turning idle land into a robust and thriving ecosystem that provides food, shelter and natural breeding areas for native plants and wildlife. Employees and local community groups, such as Scouts and members of 4H groups, use the areas for hunting safety, fishing education and recreational use.



WM has achieved WHC Certification for conservation programs across North America



Liberty Landfill  
Monticello, Indiana

### SILVER STATUS

## CONSERVATION PROJECTS

 **AWARENESS AND ENGAGEMENT**  
Boy Scouts

 **FOREST**  
Liberty Forest Areas

 **GRASSLAND**  
Liberty Food Plots and Prairie

 **WETLANDS AND WATER BODIES**  
Liberty Landfill Wetlands and Ponds

## RESOURCES

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