EXAMPLE OF HOW GOLF COURSES CAN POSITIVELY IMPACT THE WILDLIFE HABITAT

Creating Wildflower Areas at Rockland Country Club is one way golf courses can help conserve and improve wildlife habitats. Matt Ceplo, the certificated golf course superintendent (CGCS) at Rockland Country Club, has been a long-time advocate for enhancing the wildlife habitat on his golf course. The first step is for golf facilities to maintain course infrastructure and implement programs and maintenance practices that provide the best opportunity for success.

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