

Town of Ithaca Conservation Board Activities & Accomplishments for 2025

- ✿ Awarded its 22nd annual Richard B. Fischer Environmental Conservation Award to Richard Schoch and held a tree planting ceremony in the Town's Culver Road Preserve where a Shagbark Hickory tree was planted;
- ✿ Environmental Review Committee continued to provide comments on 2 site plan projects, including the Mirabito Redevelopment project and the Ithaca College running track;
- ✿ Provided support to the Town's Deer Management Program;
- ✿ Continued to update and monitor the Conservation Board Facebook page (<http://www.facebook.com/IthacaConservationBoard>) and the Instagram page (<https://www.instagram.com/townofithacaconservationboard/>);
- ✿ Reviewed and provided feedback on the Town's draft Local Law for Flood Damage Prevention;
- ✿ Finalized the ethnobotanic trail at Tutelo Park, which features biocultural information on 11 native plants, and hosted a guided walk in September of the new trail (<https://townithacany.gov/tutelo-park-plant-walk/>);
- ✿ Hosted guests on various topics including Caroline Marschner (Invasive Species Extension Associate), Hilary Swartwood (Town of Ithaca Sustainability Planner), and Joe Talbut (Town of Ithaca Parks Superintendent);
- ✿ Recruited one new full member in 2025.