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Comments: Years of involvement with the National Wildlife Federation have taught me the enormous importance of brushpiles!! Larger logs first, crisscrossed upwards into progressively smaller logs and twigs, are an easy and very beneficial way to enhance the environment for local wildlife.

They benefit the environment in several ways: They organize the forest floor to provide perches for predators to spot prey, provision for nesting birds and small animals, and protection for prey to hide from predators. Quick and easy to assemble, their eventual decay enriches the soil to benefit the world around them for years to come. Their initial positioning in both sun and shade regulates temperature to further enhance wildlife survival. Every habitat should have one!!--Tom Reilly, Retired Area Habitat Coordinator