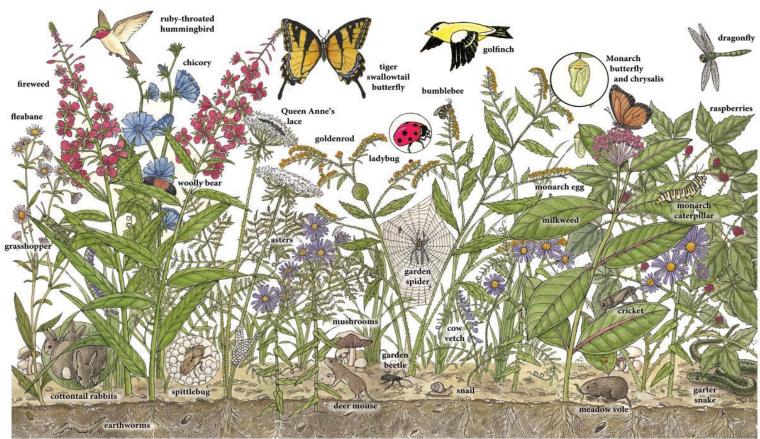


## North American Meadow



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A field is an area of opened land not covered with water which contains mostly non-woody plants (few trees or shrubs). There are three types of fields agricultural, transitional, and perpetual. All the fields at Windy Acres were created by human activities. Most of the fields are agricultural and have crops growing on them. The most common crops are soybeans and corn, but this will vary from year to year. The remaining fields have different habits depending on how frequently they are cut. Areas near the by ways and paths that are cut more often tend to have predominantly grasses. The less cut areas have more diverse composition similar to the illustrated in the diagram below. Finally, the uncut fields are starting to be taken over by trees and shrubs transitioning to forest.

## Site of interest

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