



Environmental Forum



OPERATION: RESTORATION

LESSONS FROM ONE MAN'S MILLION DOLLAR MISSION TO RESTORE HIS BOYHOOD TROUT STREAM AND SURROUNDING ECOSYSTEM

Sponsored by: The Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District
and H.B. Fuller Company

When: Monday, March 4, 2019 7:00 PM

Who: **Dr. Michael Osterholm**, Regents Professor, Division of Environmental Health Sciences, McKnight Presidential Endowed Chair in Public Health, University of MN

Where: H.B. Fuller Company
1200 Willow Lake Blvd.
Vadnais Heights, MN
(See map)

RSVPs appreciated – Debbie at
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Cost: Free (and light refreshments provided)

Questions: Watershed District: 651-792-7950
Evening of Event: 651-236-5921

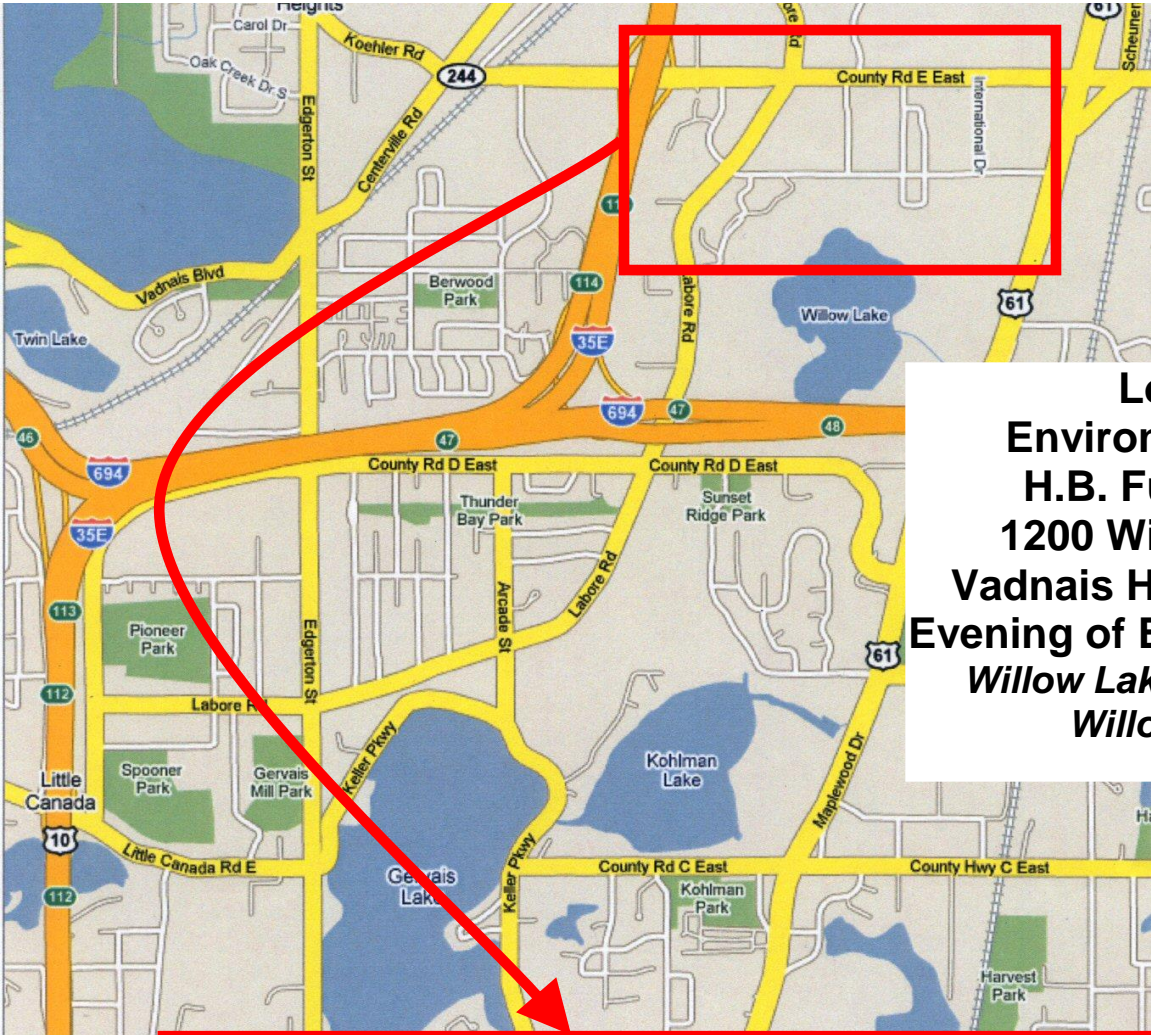
You won't want to miss his incredible success story!

Hear Dr. Michael Osterholm's fascinating account of his 17-year labor of love to restore his 98-acre Prairie Song Farm near Dorchester, Iowa. He will chronicle the obstacles encountered and creative methods used to transform a farm and reestablish a beautiful, diverse native prairie and oak savannah on this little piece of paradise. Learn how he discovered the location of the headwaters of a long-hidden creek, diverted and buried beneath cornfields, and the challenges encountered as he collaborated with the Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources in recreating this spring fed creek and successfully bringing back the native brook trout. By sharing lessons learned here, restoration efforts at countless other sites have been enhanced. You will be astonished at the results and inspired to improve habitat in your own corner of the world!

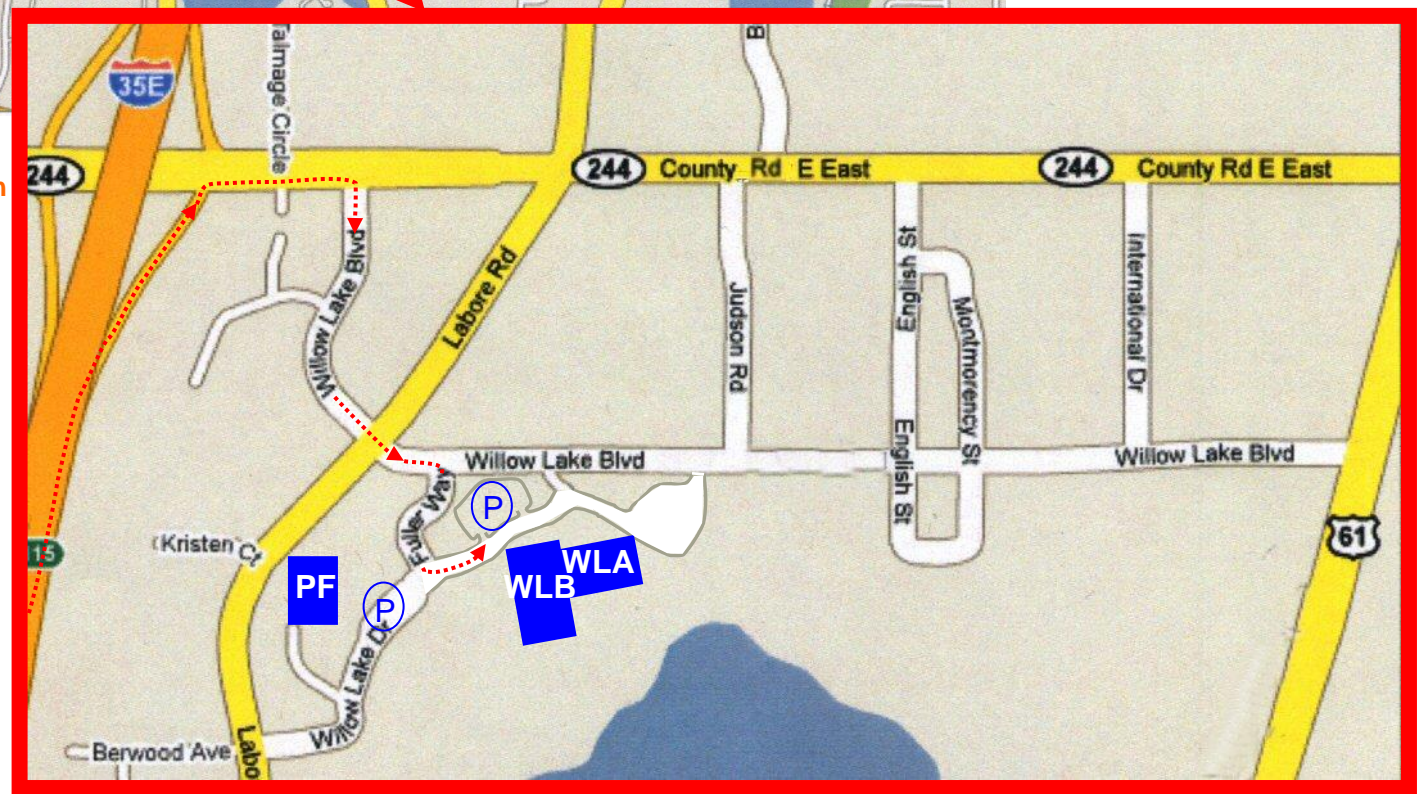
Dr. Michael Osterholm is a Regents Professor at the University of Minnesota and is world-renowned for his expertise in infectious diseases and biosecurity. He is well-known as the former MN State Epidemiologist. Growing up in northeast Iowa, his enthusiasm for trout fishing and love for the environment has fueled his desire to apply the same vigor, passion and acute scientific approach to the restoration of Prairie Song Farm. His deep commitment to educating others led him to share his knowledge, and resulted in a children's book chronicling his stream restoration project.



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Willow Lake-B Building – WLB
Willow Lake Room**



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