Meadowside Nature Center Renovations Frequently Asked Questions
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1. **What is happening to the *Legacy of the Land* exhibit?**
The *Legacy of the Land* exhibit will be closing, as part of a project to update and reimagine Meadowside Nature Center. The last day to visit the exhibit will be April 4, 2020. The nature center will remain open until November 2020, at which time the entire facility will be closed for additional renovation. The center will reopen in Spring 2021.

A farewell sendoff for *Legacy of the Land* will take place at Meadowside Nature Center on April 4, 2020, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

2. **Why is the *Legacy of the Land* exhibit being removed?**
While *Legacy of the Land* has informed and delighted visitors for more than forty years, it is time to update this space with a more modern, accessible, and interactive experience. Since the exhibit was created, we have discovered new tools, technologies, and approaches to get people excited about interacting with nature.

3. **How long will the exhibit be closed?**
The last day to visit *Legacy of the Land* is April 4, 2020. The area will be closed beginning April 5, 2020, through early spring 2021. However, the nature center will remain open to the public until November 2020.

4. **What will replace *Legacy of the Land*?**
*Legacy of the Land* will be replaced by a new exhibit which will provide an immersive experience for visitors that will spark curiosity, wonder, and awe about nature right outside our door!

5. **Will any of the features of the old exhibit be included in the new one?**
The aging structure and components of the exhibit are no longer viable and therefore will be removed in their entirety to be replaced with a new exhibit. We are looking at ways to incorporate some of the themes that people enjoyed about the old exhibit.

6. **Are any other exhibits closing at Meadowside Nature Center?**
The *Legacy of the People* exhibit will also be closed and replaced once the entire facility closes in November 2020.

7. **Where can we go when Meadowside Nature Center is closed to get our nature fix?**
While the *Legacy of the Land* exhibit will be closed starting April 5, 2020, the rest of Meadowside Nature Center will remain open through late fall. Once the entire center is closed, we still have more than eight miles of trails to explore. Going outside is a great way to get a nature fix for both children and adults. If you are looking for more of an indoor experience, be sure to visit one of our other nature facilities: Brookside Nature Center, Locust Grove Nature Center, and Black Hill Nature Programs at Black Hill Visitor Center.

8. **Where can I find out about progress of the renovations?**
   Stay updated on the progress by following [Meadowside Nature Center’s Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/MeadowsideNatureCenter) or visiting our [website](https).

9. **Can we still visit the raptors? Will they remain at the nature center during construction?**
   Meadowside Nature Center is home to all our raptors. Unfortunately, they will not be available for viewing once the facility closes to the public for renovations in November 2020. Meadowside Nature Center’s naturalists are trained to ensure the highest animal welfare. The naturalists interact, train, and monitor the birds daily to make sure they are reacting to the construction in a manner which will allow them to be comfortable.