

Visiting the SPRUCE Experiment

The SPRUCE Experiment Site at the Marcell Experimental Forest is open to the public.



- You may visit the site during daylight hours. SPRUCE Staff are usually on-site from 10 AM – 4 PM, Monday through Friday (except for meetings, deliveries, vacations, holidays, etc.).
- **Tours:** A scheduled tour is the preferred form of visitation. Please contact W. Robert Nettles the ORNL Site Manager by email to arrange a tour (nettleswr@ornl.gov). Robert will convey your request to the SPRUCE Team to schedule a suitable date and time. Maximum tour size is 15. (Larger groups may be accommodated with considerable advanced planning.)
- During impromptu visits, SPRUCE Staff will be happy to answer a few questions if the day's activities allow for an interruption.
- **Safety Note:** If you venture onto the boardwalks around the enclosures, be aware that this decking is slippery when wet and particularly so when covered with frost or snow. You must remain on the boardwalks for your safety, and the protection of the research site.

What to expect:

- A typical tour might last 30-45 minutes.
- Walking distance will be ~ ¼ mile on fairly level gravel roadways and boardwalk decking.
- Dress should be appropriate for the weather. Close-toed shoes are preferred.
- Restroom facilities with running water are not available on site.
- Cell phone coverage may be weak.

Getting to the SPRUCE Experiment Site at the Marcell Experimental Forest

- Enter "1 Spring Lake Road, Bovey, MN" as your GPS destination within either Google Maps, Google Earth, or Apple Maps programs.
 - Latitude: 47°30'23.90"N (47.506639°)
 - Longitude: 93°27'21.23"W (-93.455897°)
- The Field Office will be on your left.

In Case of Emergency:

- **Dial 911**
- The EMS (Emergency Medical Service) address is **43423 Spring Lake Rd, Bovey MN 55709**.