Please take special note of how to prepare for the first class:

- Read *Ecology and Ecosystem Conservation*: Preface and Chapter 1
- Read *The Round River* by Aldo Leopold
- Prepare a locator map and short description of a natural area near where you live using two PowerPoint slides. (The local area you choose will serve an important touchstone for the class. We recommend using google maps to help you locate a good site that you will be able to access in person, especially next weekend.)