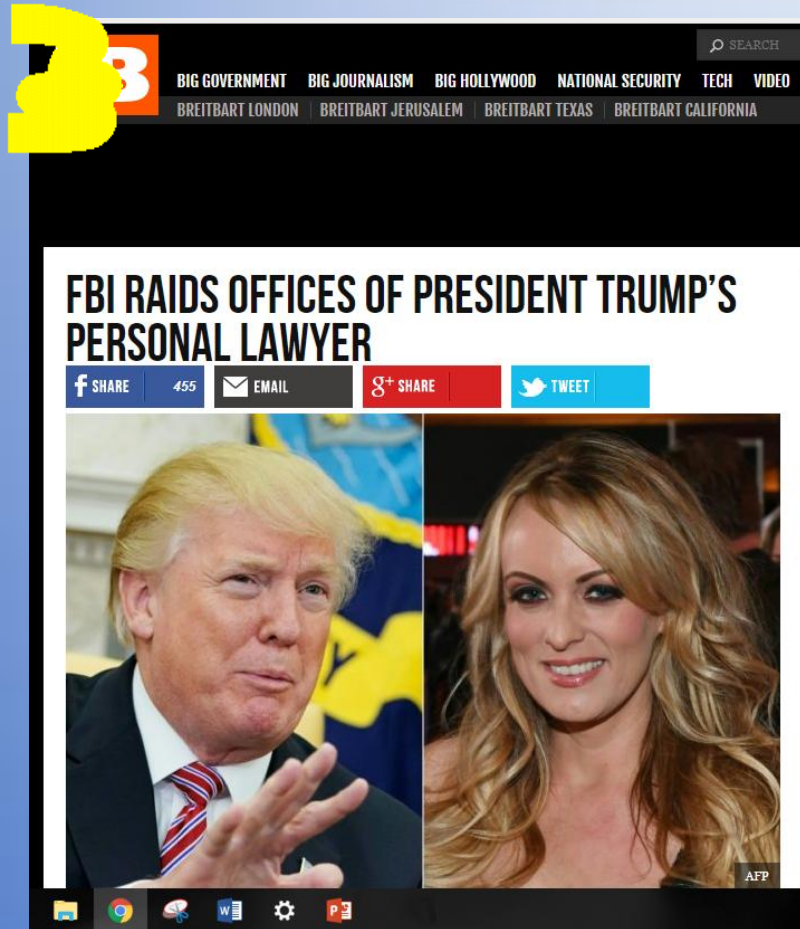


Life in the Deep State at the MPCA

Stephen Thompson
MGWA 2018 Spring Conference

April 26, 2018

Deep State



The image shows a screenshot of a Breitbart news article. The top navigation bar includes categories like 'BIG GOVERNMENT', 'BIG JOURNALISM', 'BIG HOLLYWOOD', 'NATIONAL SECURITY', 'TECH', and 'VIDEO'. The article title is 'FBI RAIDS OFFICES OF PRESIDENT TRUMP'S PERSONAL LAWYER'. Below the title are social media sharing buttons for Facebook, Email, Google+, and Twitter. The main content area features two side-by-side photographs: one of Donald Trump on the left and one of a woman with blonde hair on the right. A yellow highlight is present in the top left corner of the screenshot.



JT → Bird of Prey · 11 minutes ago

Rosenstein signed one of the documents where they lied to the FISA judge in order to wiretap Trump's campaign..... and yet he is still heading this investigation.

We have a Crooked Cop (Mueller) reporting to an outright Criminal (Rod Rosenstein).

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Deep State



LtCol Oliver L. North, USMC (Ret.)
Founder and Honorary Chairman

Dear [REDACTED]

You've seen it coming as surely as I have -- a coup to overthrow the President of the United States.

And unless you and I act now, liberal Democrats, with the help of the left-wing media and [REDACTED] state bureaucrats, will impeach President Donald Trump and nullify the 2016 election.

As a supporter of Freedom Alliance, you might expect that we have a plan to push back and defeat this coup. And we do.

A letter from the Freedom Alliance.

House



Immigrant log home



Woodworking shop



Timber frame barn



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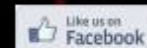
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Maple syrup



Minnesota





Old McIntosh High School



Bailing hay

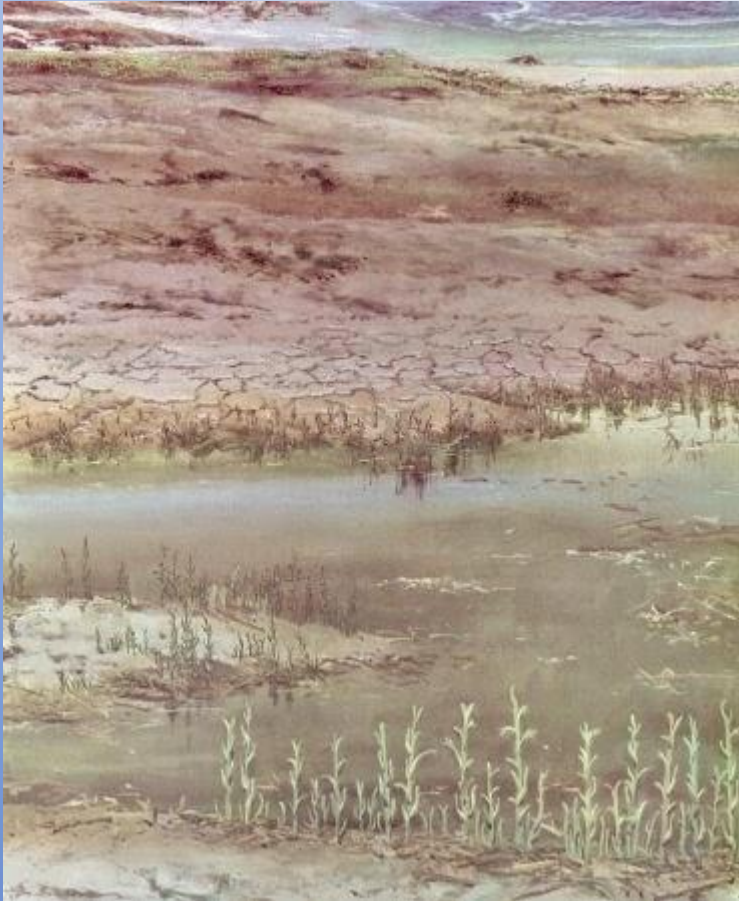


High School Wrestling



Ordovician (500 million years before present) Landscape

Land



Sea



Petroleum remediation - 1990

- MN Rule 7060: It is the policy of the agency to...provide maximum protection to all underground waters.
- All tanks were required to be upgraded; most had leakage
- Agency overwhelmed with number of reported releases
- Policy development on the fly

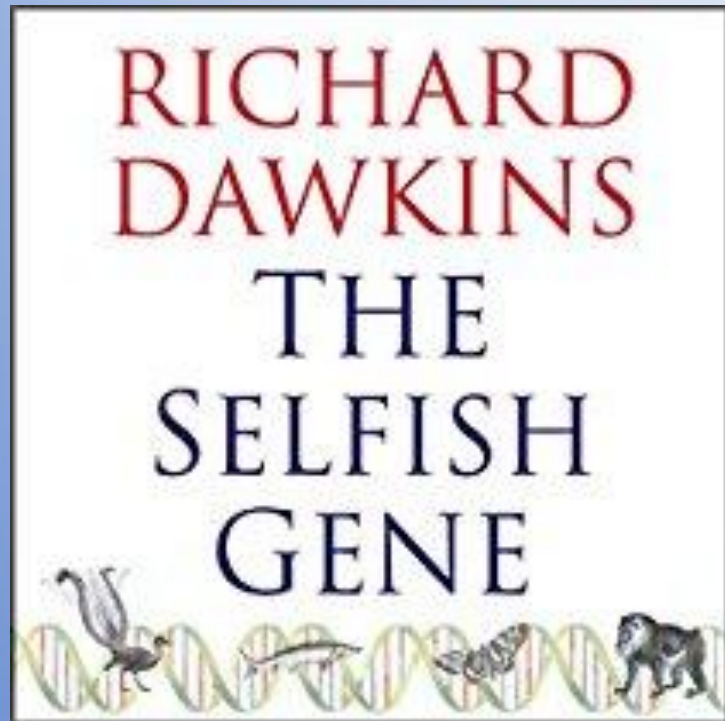
Petroleum remediation - 1990

- Risk-based approach
- Institutional controls
 - Plume maps

Petroleum remediation - 1990

- Most petroleum contaminant plumes were found to be <200' in length
- Most were not directly impacting humans
- Philosophical and policy dilemma
- Petroleum and Superfund programs were not links

Genes and memes

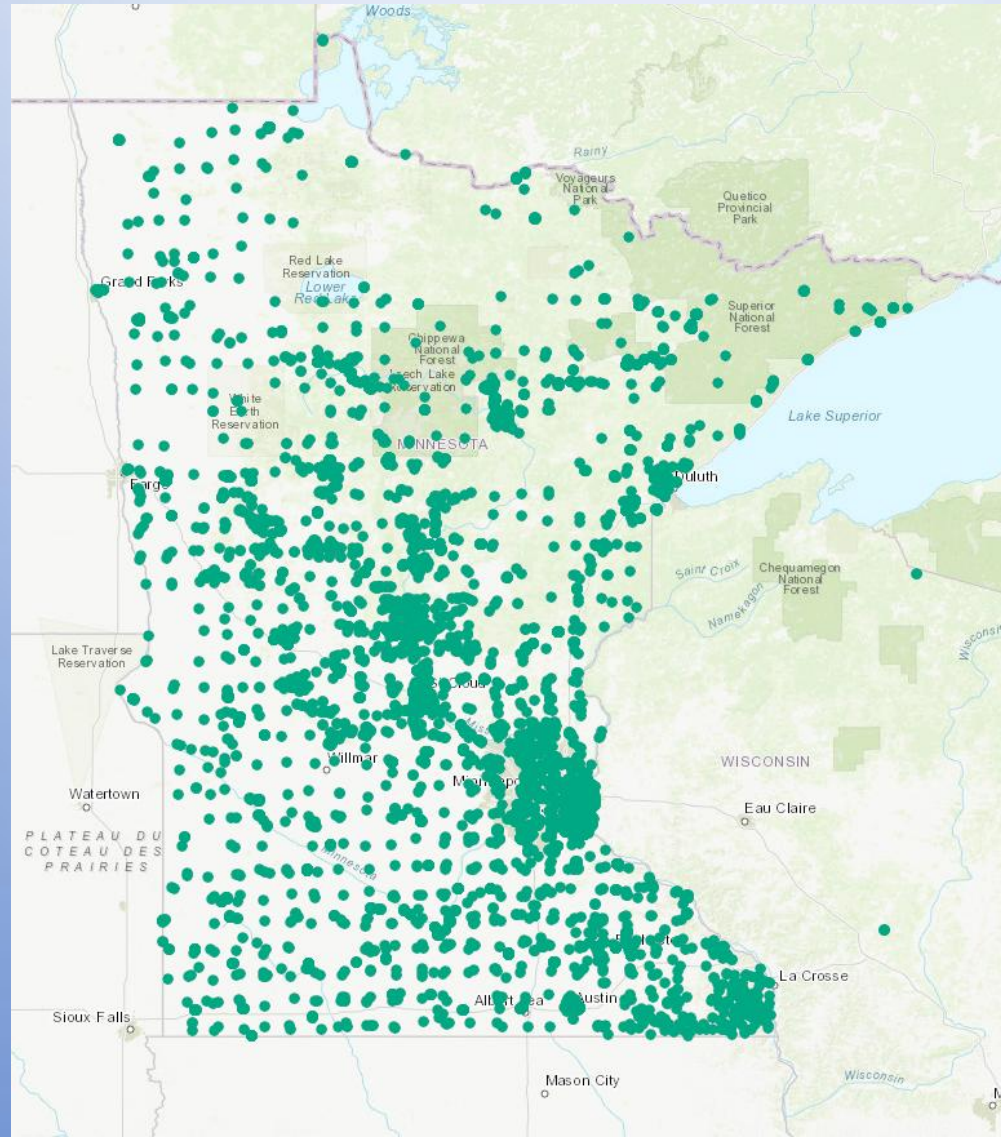


- 1976 book evolution on evolution
- term "selfish gene" expressing the gene-centered view of evolution
- Introduced the term "meme" for cultural evolution
- analogous to the gene, suggesting that such "selfish" replication may also model human culture

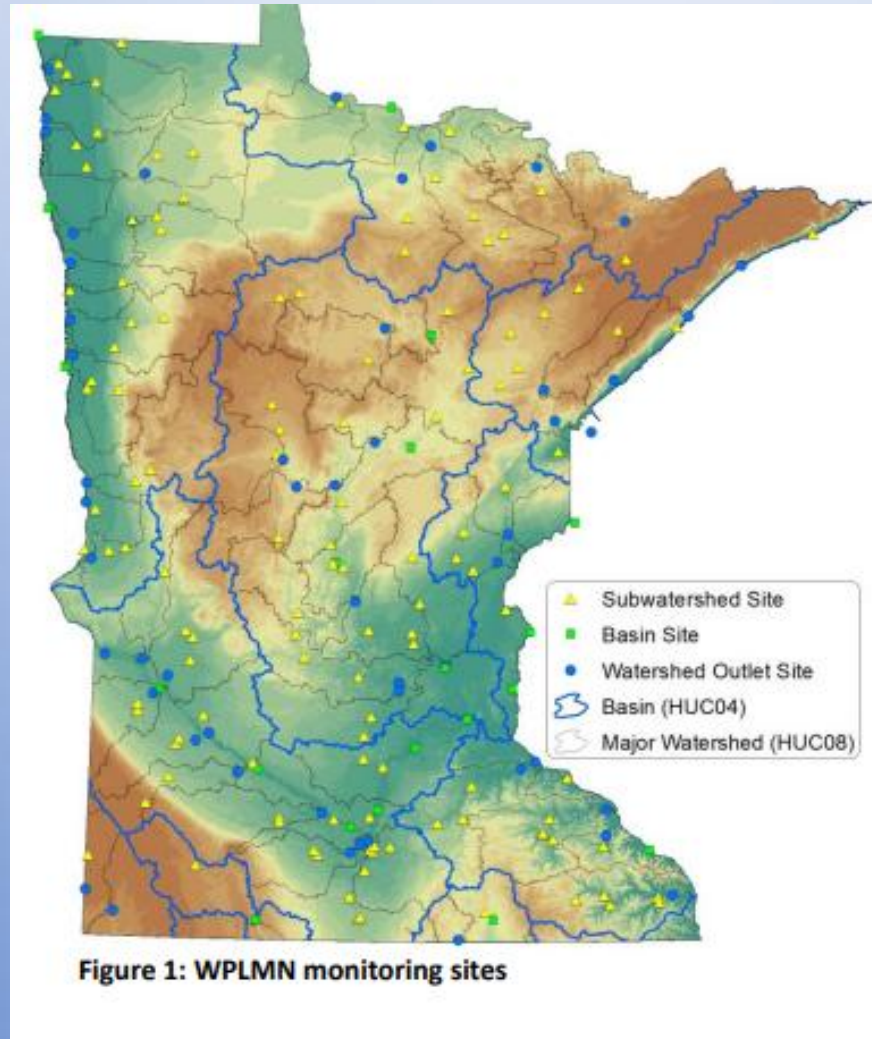
Ambient Groundwater Monitoring

- Network had been disbanded in early 2000's
- Data collected is useful and valuable
- System is cost effective

Minnesota Ambient Groundwater Network



Watershed Pollutant Load Monitoring Network



The Law of Bureaucratic Rot

- Eventually, all organizations hire a 2nd or 3rd rate manager.
- That manager hires and promotes 2nd or 3rd rate employees (so as not to be upstaged).
- Inevitably, top quality people leave the organization.

Successful groundwater programs

- Clear mission and purpose
- Data and science-based decision-making
- Accountability systems for management, staff, and programs
 - 360 degree personnel evaluation
 - Forced ranking
 - Outside audits of programs
- Creativity and innovation
- Transparency