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Frogtown Green and Hmongtown Marketplace Celebrate the Conclusion of FrogLab, the First Nature Center at an International Market

Saint Paul, Minn. – Capitol Region Watershed District is a proud supporter of Frogtown Green’s work to Bring Frogs Back to Frogtown. Frogtown Green is a neighborhood-based sustainability initiative that was created during the development of Frogtown Park & Farm. Building on past success, Frogtown Green is expanding their work to include the creation of FrogLab at Hmongtown Marketplace and is making plans to enhance the pond on site for residents and frogs alike.

Environmental educator and native Hmong speaker, Chee Vang, brought knowledge, energy and passion to the development of FrogLab. During the summer of 2016, 250 visitors participated in hands-on learning activities about the importance of clean water in our communities and for aquatic life such as frogs. Visitors also learned how they can help protect nearby lakes and the Mississippi River in English and Hmong. This program would not have been possible without the vision of neighborhood leader, Patricia Ohmans, at Frogtown Green with whom we work.

A marimba band concert and pageant of the frogs is planned for Saturday, October 15 from 1-3 pm at Hmongtown Marketplace to celebrate the conclusion of FrogLab. Families with kids of all ages are invited to participate in this free event. Visitors are encouraged to come early or stay late to enjoy all the market has to offer.

Frogtown Green is sponsored in part by Capitol Region Watershed District through our Partner Grant program. This program was designed to support organizations who share our mission to protect, manage and improve water resources of the District. Grantees reach new and diverse audiences through the arts, cultural and community events, and environmental education initiatives. The deadline for 2017 Partner Grants is approaching on October 31, 2016. Please visit www.capitalregionwd.org for more information.

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