

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
OFFICE OF WATER RESOURCES
ONE NATURAL RESOURCES WAY
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62702-1271

STATEWIDE PERMIT NO. 12

AUTHORIZING SPECIFIED BRIDGE AND CULVERT REPLACEMENT
STRUCTURES AND BRIDGE WIDENINGS

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Statewide Permit is to authorize the replacement of existing bridges and culverts and the widening of existing bridges where the following conditions apply: 1) the existing structure has not been the cause of demonstrable flood damage, 2) the new structure will provide the same or greater effective waterway opening, and 3) there will be no appreciable reduction in existing over-the-road flow area. It is no longer necessary to submit applications to, or obtain individual permits from, the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Office of Water Resources (IDNR/OWR), for activities meeting the terms and conditions of this permit. If a project would not meet all of the terms and conditions of this permit, a permit application must be submitted to IDNR/OWR for review.

APPLICABILITY

This permit applies to bridge and culvert replacement structures and the widening of existing bridges on all Illinois rivers, lakes and streams under the Department's jurisdiction except public waters (see attached list) and those in Lake, McHenry, Cook, DuPage, Kane and Will Counties for which regulatory floodways have been designated pursuant to 17 Illinois Administrative Code 3708. This permit does not apply to any project which conflicts with a federal, state or local project or improvement or with any other rules of the Department.

COORDINATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES

This permit does not supersede nor relieve any permittee's responsibility to obtain other federal, state or local permits. The local (county or municipal) regulatory official and the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' regulatory functions office should be contacted to obtain any additional required permits.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In order for a project to be authorized by this permit, the following special conditions shall be met.

1. A registered professional engineer shall determine and document that the existing structure has not been the cause of demonstrable flood damage. Such documentation shall include, at a minimum, confirmation that:
 - a) no buildings or structures have been impacted by the backwater induced by the existing structure; and
 - b) there is no record of complaints of flood damages associated with the existing structure.

2. A registered professional engineer shall determine that the new structure will provide the same or greater effective waterway opening as the existing structure. For bridge widening projects, the existing piers and the proposed pier extensions must be in line with the direction of the approaching flow upstream of the bridge.
3. The project shall not include any appreciable raising of the approach roads. (This condition does not apply if all points on the approaches exist at an elevation equal to or higher than the 100-year frequency flood head water elevation as determined by a Federal Emergency Management Agency flood insurance study or a study completed or approved by IDNR/OWR.)
4. The project shall not involve the straightening, enlargement or relocation of the existing channel of the river or stream except as permitted by the Department's Statewide Permit No. 9 (Minor Shoreline, Channel and Streambank Protection Activities) or Statewide Permit No. 11 (Minor Maintenance Dredging Activities).
5. The permittee shall maintain records of projects authorized by this permit necessary to document compliance with the above conditions.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE STATEWIDE PERMIT

1. This permit is granted in accordance with the Rivers, Lakes and Streams Act, 615 ILCS 5 (1996 State Bar Edition).
2. This permit does not convey title to any permittee or recognize title of any permittee to any submerged or other lands, and furthermore, does not convey, lease or provide any right or rights of occupancy or use of the public or private property on which the project or any part thereof will be located, or otherwise grant to any permittee any right or interest in or to the property, whether the property is owned or possessed by the State of Illinois or by any private or public party or parties.
3. This permit does not release any permittee from liability for damage to persons or property resulting from any activity covered by this permit and does not authorize any injury to private property or invasion of private rights.
4. This permit does not relieve any permittee of the responsibility to obtain other federal, state or local authorizations required for the construction of the permitted activity; and if any permittee is required by law to obtain approval from any federal or other state agency to do the work, authorization granted by this permit is not effective until the federal and state approvals are obtained.
5. The permittee shall, at the permittee's own expense, remove all temporary piling, cofferdams, false work, and material incidental to the construction of the project, from the floodway in which the work is done. If the permittee fails to remove such structures or materials, the Department may have removal made at the expense of the permittee. If the activity is on a public body of water and if future need for public navigation or public interests, by the state or federal government, necessitates changes in any part of the structure or structures, such changes shall be made by and at the expense of the permittee or permittee's successors as required by the Department of Natural Resources or other properly constituted agency, within sixty (60) days from receipt of written notice of the necessity from the Department or other agency, unless a longer period of time is specifically authorized.

6. In issuing this permit, the Department of Natural Resources does not approve the adequacy of the design or structural strength of any structure or improvement authorized by this permit.
7. This Statewide Permit shall remain in effect until such time as it is modified, suspended, or revoked by the Department of Natural Resources.

This Statewide Permit was issued on July 30, 1990 and last modified or corrected June 15, 1998.

APPROVED:

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Public Bodies of Water

The following public bodies of water were navigable in their natural condition or were improved for navigation and opened to public use. The entire length and surface area in Illinois, including all backwater lakes and sloughs open to the main channel or body of water at normal flows or stages, are open to the public unless limited to a head of navigation as stated. Head of navigation descriptions use the U.S. rectangular survey system and these abbreviations: T = township, R = range, PM = principal meridian, Sec. = section, 1/4 = quartersection, N = north, E = east, S = south, W = west, USGS = U.S. Geological Survey.

- 1) Lake Michigan;
- 2) Chicago River: Main Branch;
- 3) Chicago River: North Branch to North Shore Channel;
- 4) Chicago River: South Branch;
- 5) Chicago River: South Fork of South Branch;
- 6) Chicago River: East and West Arms of South Fork of South Branch;
- 7) Chicago River: West Fork of South Branch to Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal;
- 8) Calumet River;
- 9) Lake Calumet and entrance channel to Calumet River;
- 10) Grand Calumet River;
- 11) Little Calumet River;
- 12) Wolf Lake (Cook County);
- 13) Mississippi River (including all backwater lakes such as Frentress Lake in Jo Daviess County, Boston Bay in Mercer County and Quincy Bay in Adams County);
- 14) Sinsiniwa River to North Line of Sec. 9, T28N, R1W, 4th PM in Jo Daviess County, which is located approximately two-thirds mile downstream from the U.S. Highway 20 Bridge. This area is shown on the Galena, Ill.-Iowa, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;

- 15) Galena River to East Line of Sec. 6, T28N, R1E, 4th PM in Jo Daviess County, which is located approximately one-half mile upstream from the County Highway 67 Bridge. This area is shown on the Galena, Ill.-Iowa, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 16) Apple River to North Line of Sec. 35, T26N, R2E, 4th PM in Jo Daviess County;
- 17) Plum River to North Line, T24N, R3E, 4th PM in Carroll County, which is located approximately one and one-half miles upstream from the U.S. Highway 52 Bridge. This area is shown on the Savanna, Ill., 15 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 18) Rock River;
- 19) Pecatonica River;
- 20) Sugar River (Winnebago County);
- 21) Stillman Creek to South Line, T25N, R11E, 4th PM in Ogle County, which is located approximately one-third mile downstream from the Illinois Highway 72 Bridge. This area is shown on the Stillman Valley, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 22) Henderson Creek (new channel) to East Line, SW 1/4, Sec. 6, T10N, R5W, 4th PM in Henderson County. The river has been relocated and the old channel abandoned;
- 23) The Sny in Adams, Pike and Calhoun Counties. The area has been drained with levees and ditches and it is uncertain that any descendent body of water exists;
- 24) Bay Creek to West Line, Sec. 29, T8S, R3W, 4th PM in Calhoun County. The head of navigation is the limit of meanders on the official plat of survey; but it is uncertain that any descendent body of water exists;
- 25) Illinois River (including all backwater lakes such as Peoria Lake in Peoria, Tazewell and Woodford Counties; Matanzas Bay in Mason County; and Meredosia Lake in Cass and Morgan Counties);
- 26) Des Plaines River to Hoffman Dam in Cook County, which is located one-half mile downstream from the junction with Salt Creek. This area is shown on the Berwyn, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 27) Kankakee River;

- 28) Iroquois River to South Line, SW 1/4, Sec. 30, T27N, R12W, 2nd PM in Iroquois County, which is located approximately one mile downstream from the junction with Sugar Creek. This area is shown on the Gilman, 15 minute USGS quadrangle;
- 29) Fox River (Illinois River Basin);
- 30) Griswold Lake (McHenry County);
- 31) Fox Chain-O-Lakes (Lake and McHenry Counties): Bluff Lake, Lake Catherine, Channel Lake, Fox Lake, Grass Lake, Lake Marie, Nippersink Lake, Dunns Lake, Pistakee Lake, Lake Jerilyn, Lac Louette, Redhead Lake;
- 32) Vermilion River (Illinois River Basin) to approximately one-half mile above the mouth near Oglesby in LaSalle County;
- 33) Spring Lake (Tazewell County);
- 34) Spoon River to North Line, Sec. 24, T6N, R1E, 4th PM in Fulton County, which is located approximately one-half mile upstream from the Illinois Highway 95 Bridge. This area is shown on the Smithfield, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 35) Sangamon River to South Line, NE 1/4, Sec. 1, T15N, R4W, 3rd PM in Sangamon County, which is located approximately one mile south of the Mechanicsburg Road Bridge. This area is shown on the Mechanicsburg, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 36) Sangamon River: South Fork to South Line, Sec. 33, T16N, R4W, 3rd PM in Sangamon County, which is located approximately two miles upstream from the mouth. This area is shown on the Springfield-East, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 37) Macoupin Creek to East Line, Sec. 25, T9N, R13W, 3rd PM in Green and Jersey Counties, which is located approximately one mile downstream from the junction with Boyer Creek. This area is shown on the Boyer Creek, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 38) Otter Creek to East Line of Sec. 3, T7N, R13W, 3rd PM in Jersey County, which is located approximately two miles east of the Illinois Highway 100 Bridge. This area is shown on the Nutwood, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 39) Kaskaskia River to East Line, SW 1/4, Sec. 31, T8N, R2E, 3rd PM, which is located nine miles south and two miles west of Herrick. This area is shown on the Vera, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;

- 40) Big Muddy River to East Line T8S, R2W, 3rd PM in Jackson County, which is located approximately one mile northwest of the Southern Illinois Airport. This area is shown on the Murphysboro, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 41) Ohio River;
- 42) Wabash River;
- 43) Vermilion River (Wabash River Basin) to West Line, T19N, R11W, 2nd PM in Vermilion County, which is located approximately one mile upstream from the junction with the North Fork. This area is shown on the Danville, SW, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 44) Little Wabash River to the Illinois Highway 1 bridge in Carmi in White County;
- 45) Saline River to junction of North Fork and South Fork;
- 46) Saline River: North Fork to North Line, Sec. 5, T8S, R8E, 3rd PM in Gallatin County, which is located approximately three miles south of the junction of Illinois Highway 141 and U.S. Highway 45. This area is shown on the Ridgway, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 47) Saline River: South Fork to West Line, T9S, R8E, 3rd PM in Gallatin County, which is located at the Gallatin-Saline County line. This area is shown on the Equality, 7.5 minute USGS quadrangle map;
- 48) Horseshoe Lake (Alexander County).

The following public bodies of water are primarily artificial navigable waters that were opened to public use.

- 1) Illinois and Michigan Canal;
- 2) Illinois and Mississippi (Hennepin) Canal and Canal Feeder;
- 3) North Shore Channel (Cook County);
- 4) North Branch Canal of North Branch Chicago River (Cook County);
- 5) Relocated South Branch Chicago River (Cook County);
- 6) Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal;
- 7) Calumet Sag Channel;

- 8) Marseilles Canal (LaSalle County);
- 9) Chain of Rocks Canal (Madison County);
- 10) Relocated Kaskaskia River.

The following public bodies of water are navigable waters that were dedicated to public use. This list is incomplete. It is believed there are numerous channels and slips in subdivisions on the margins of public bodies of water which have been dedicated by plat. Additional channels and slips have been dedicated by common law.

- 1) Petite Lake, Spring Lake and connecting channels between Bluff Lake and Fox Lake in Lake County.