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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from January 15 to February 15 are listed below. These projects have been screened through the internal environmental review process for potential impacts on wetlands, threatened and endangered species, and cultural and archaeological resources, etc. Through the review process it was determined that environmental impacts have been kept to a minimum and mitigated as necessary, that they do not meet the criteria for significant actions as defined in the environmental review process, and may proceed. All of these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

- **Pyramid State Park**

0501479 - This project involves the development of a new Class A campground at the site. Work items will include the construction of a new 2100 lf access road, three campground loop roads, 40 parking spaces for users and visitors, and a sanitary dump station. In addition, the existing entrance road and the road from Panda Bear Road to the Super Lake Boat Access will be resurfaced and a scenic overlook constructed on Panda Bear Road. Project was submitted for review on 10-19-04.

- **Moraine Hills State Park**

0502764 - This project involves the construction of a movie set for Warner Brothers Pictures at an abandoned gravel pit lake located on state property. Work items will include the construction of a small house over the water, access roads, and staging areas. Project was submitted for review on 2-7-05.

- **Mississippi River Area**

0502935 - This project involves the demolition of the existing metal check station located at Calhoun Point. Project was submitted for review on 2-14-05.

- **Sangchris Lake State Park**

0305083 - This project involves the overall improvement and rehabilitation of the East Harbor Boat Access Area facility. Work items include the construction of a new single lane concrete boat ramp, the installation of new accessible boat docks on one side of the ramp, the removal and replacement of vault toilets, security lighting, the relocation and replacement of the existing water hydrant, the construction of a new

fish cleaning station, expansion of the parking lot, and associated grading, seeding and landscaping. Project was submitted for review on 6-11-04.

- **Sangchris Lake State Park**

0502813 - This project involves the installation of an underground electric cable by the Rural Electric Convenience Cooperative Company. The line will be run from the county highway to the Deer Run Campground. Project was submitted for review on 2-7-05.

- **Apple River Canyon State Park**

0503094 - This project involves the approval of a request from a donor to plant a "wedding tree" during a wedding ceremony at the site. Project was submitted for review on 2-23-05.

Questions and Comments

All questions and comments about the environmental review process or this newsletter should be directed to:

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