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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from July 15 to August 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.

- **Conservation World – State Fairgrounds**

1200338 - This project involves installation of water collection systems in Conservation World. Project was submitted for review on 7-11-11.

- **I&M Canal State Trail**

1113681 - This project involves re-watering an 8 block section of the Illinois & Michigan Canal between Guion and Chestnut Streets in Ottawa. Work will include tree removal, shaping and grading canal prism and slopes, lining canal prism with clay, relocating the bike trail from the canal prism to the south canal bank and placement of two earthen berms near Guion and Chestnut Streets. Water depth in the canal would be maintained at approximately 5' in the spring, summer, and fall months. In the winter, the canal water would be drawn down to approximately 1'. Project was submitted for review on 4-7-11.

- **I&M Canal State Trail**

0404386 - This project involves modifying and constructing new facilities to implement ADA compliance. Project was submitted for review on 7-27-11.

- **Hamilton County State Conservation Area**

1104936 - This project involves construction of a new boat access site. A new access road approximately 20' wide x 750' will be built on the alignment of an old, abandoned local road. A parking lot will be constructed to allow parking for up to 10 car/trailer combinations. Other improvements will include a standard masonry restroom, concrete sidewalks to connect all site improvements, a concrete boat ramp, courtesy floating dock, three sided kiosk, security lighting, riprap, and tree replacement. Project was submitted for review on 11-22-10.

- **Pere Marquette State Park**

1201697 - This project involves replacement of failing septic system for ranger residence and upper shop. Project was submitted for review on 8-8-11.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway**

1200839 - This project involves landscape renovation to the entrance of the organization cabins for easier access. Project was submitted for review on 7-26-11.

- **Cache River State Natural Area**

1200887 - This project involves repairs to the existing wooden boardwalk at the Section 8 Woods Nature Preserve. Project was submitted for review on 7-13-11.

- **Woodford County Conservation Area**

1113983 - This project involves dredging the boat access and fishing channels approximately 3' deep by mechanically dredging. Dredge sediment shall be dried and shaped in mounds for on-site hardwood reforestation. Project was submitted for review on 6-28-11.

- **Sangchris Lake State Recreation Area**

1200894 - This project involves rehabilitation of approximately 900' of earthen embankment which started leaking over the winter. Borrow material shall be taken from the adjacent agricultural fields. Project was submitted for review on 7-27-11.

- **Sanganois Conservation Area**

1200892 - This project involves excavating earthen material from below the water surface to restore the water level management elevation of the Collis Pond Levee. The overall project is considered to be maintenance in nature because the overall height and width of the structures will not be increased. Project was submitted for review on 7-27-11.

Questions and Comments

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

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