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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from February 15 to March 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.

- **Cape Bend State Fish & Wildlife Area**

0905895 - This project involves the construction of a new hunter parking lot at Cape Bend. The project location is off of Rt. 3, south of East Cape Girardeau. The parking lot will be approximately 24' x 80' in size and gravel surfaced. Project was submitted for review on 12-9-08.

- **Siloam Springs State Park**

0905035 - This project involves the installation/construction of a prefabricated bridge structure over Siloam Creek at the existing trail crossing. Project was submitted for review on 1-14-09.

- **Jubilee College State Park**

0905143 - This project involves the realignment of a trail. This will avoid a steep and unsustainable trail. Project was submitted for review on 1-20-09.

- **Kenney Ford Seep Land & Water Reserve**

0904118 - This project involves the restoration of hydrological conditions in the Land and Water Reserve by locating field tile and installing an inline water level control structure. Project was submitted for review on 11-19-08.

- **Steward State Habitat Area**

0905990 - This project involves the installation, via direct bore, a 2" utility line 48" below grade along the south property line. Bore pits will be off of State property. Project was submitted for review on 2-20-09.

- **Big Bend State Wildlife Area**

0905615 - This project involves constructing an additional 200' of a low-level berm. The berm was constructed as part of a small wetland impoundment. The additional berm is needed to preclude flooding of township road. Project was submitted for review on 2-3-09.

- **Red Hills State Park**

0906079 - This project involves selective woodland thinning. Undesirable woody species will be removed to improve habitat for forest wildlife. Project was submitted for review on 2-24-09.

- **Giant City State Park**

0903796 - This project involves the repair of the existing horse trail system at Giant City. Project was submitted for review on 11-12-08.

- **Prairie Ridge State Natural Area**

0905128 - This project involves invasive brush removal with heavy equipment. This project will restore grassland bird habitat. Project was submitted for review on 1-20-09.

- **Franklin Creek State Wildlife Area**

0906625 - This project involves the demolition of an existing concrete silo and adjacent corn crib. Material will be hauled away from site to an approved landfill. Project was submitted for review on 3-10-09.

- **Union County Conservation Area**

0809481 - This project involves the installation of a temporary cofferdam to inspect the outlet structure on the southeast corner of Lyerla Lake and to repair it if needed. Project was submitted for review on 2-27-09.

Questions and Comments

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

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