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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from May 15 to June 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.

- **Illinois Beach State Park**

0911542 - This project involves the construction of an access driveway across IDNR land along the north side of Wadsworth Road (east of Sheridan Road). Project was submitted for review on 5-15-09.

- **Wildlife Prairie State Park**

0905995 - This project involves the replacement of aging sewage lagoon with a reticulating sand filter system. Project was submitted for review on 5-13-09.

- **LaSalle Lake State Fish & Wildlife Area**

0911145 - This project involves maintenance to three boat ramps. 3"-6" rock will be placed in holes blown out of lake bottom by boat props at the end of ramps. Project was submitted for review on 6-5-09.

- **Illini State Park**

0911138 - This project involves planting trees in an open field of previously disturbed ground that had been the site of the radio tower for the USCOE lock facility. The tree planting will be in memory of the Illinois soldiers who lost their lives in Middle East Conflicts. Project was submitted for review on 5-12-09.

- **Chicago Gateway Harbor/Dime Pier**

0910813 - This project involves the construction of the Chicago Gateway Harbor. Construction will occur on each side of Dime Pier located between Navy Pier and the Chicago River/Lock System. Project will include: marina infrastructure, floating docks, Dime Pier encapsulation, curved breakwater, promenade, west wall, stone east edge, stone stub breakwater, landside infrastructure, harbor building, pier railing, and USACE breakwater. Project was submitted for review on 5-21-09.

- **Shabbona State Park**

0910809 - This project involves increasing the storage capacity and viability of an existing rearing pond through excavation and installation of a water control structure. Project was submitted for review on 5-19-09.

- **Jim Edgar Panther Creek State Park**

0910279 - This project involves removal of borrow material for emergency County road project through the park. Project was submitted for review on 5-6-09.

- **Miller-Anderson Nature Preserve**

0906339 - This project involves the reforestation of approximately 24 acres of fallow agricultural fields. Project was submitted for review on 3-2-09.

- **Rend Lake State Fish & Wildlife Area**

0909282 - This project involves construction of an earthen levee on two sides of a low lying field that is prone to flooding. All borrow will come from the adjacent field that is to be flooded. A water control structure will be installed to aid with moist-soil management. Project was submitted for review on 4-17-09.

Questions and Comments

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

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