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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.

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

1209174 - This project involves reclaiming old crop fields and open spaces from successional woody encroachment and non-native invasive species to maintain open areas and diversity. All woody encroachment within the old fields will be removed with a bull-hog. Project was submitted for review on 2-14-12.

- **Hamilton County State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1206858 - This project involves installation of a new boat ramp, boat dock, pit privy, information kiosk, sidewalks, and paved parking lot. Project was submitted for review on 1-9-12.

- **Des Plaines State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1206276 - This project involves the replacement of a boat dock. Two concrete slabs will be replaced and riprap or other erosion protection material will be installed between the pair of boat ramps. Project was submitted for review on 12-15-11.

- **Hennepin Canal State Parkway**

1208389 - This project involves re-constructing interior park roads, widening roadways to a uniform minimum width, rehabilitation of the existing historic lift bridge and potential railing modifications, install handicap parking, improve existing boat ramp drainage and drainage throughout project area, removal of select trees, and repair of all disturbed areas. Project was submitted for review on 2-3-12.

- **Illini State Park**

1207737 - This project involves the rehabilitation of the Illini-wek Trail. Project was submitted for review on 1-24-12.

- **I&M Canal**

1209740 - This project involves installing water and sewer utilities to Ottawa Industrial Park from Heritage Harbor. Lines will cross the I&M Canal. The utilities will be constructed via horizontal drilling technologies. Project was submitted for review on 2-28-12.

- **Fort Massac State Park**

1209764 - This project involves demolition of the site residence. The residence was severely damaged by flooding. The Metropolis Fire Department will burn it as part of a training exercise. The debris will be buried within the basement and the upper three feet of the basement walls demolished. Fill dirt will be brought in and cover the site and the area will be re-vegetated. Project was submitted for review on 2-28-12.

- **Fern Clyffe State Park**

1210065 - This project involves erosion control of a pipeline. Enterprise proposes to re-cover the existing pipeline. Project was submitted for review on 3-6-12.

- **Sand Road Site (Madison County)**

1209149 - This project involves Ameren replacing H-frame poles and electric transmission lines. Project was submitted for review on 2-16-12.

- **Wildlife Prairie State Park**

1208718 - This project involves replacement of bridges in Merrill Woods. Project was submitted for review on 2-9-12.

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1208704 - This project involves improvements to the otter exhibit. Project was submitted for review on 2-9-12.

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1208690 - This project involves replacement of fence posts. Project was submitted for review on 2-9-12.

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

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