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## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from June 15 to July 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 and 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.

- **Kinkaid Lake**

0405071 - This project involves making improvements to provide barrier-free access to facilities for persons with disabilities at the site. Work items will include paved parking, accessible route to picnic site and pad, retrofitting existing restrooms, and making fire grills accessible. Project was submitted for review on 6-10-04.

- **Stephen A. Forbes State Park**

0405061 - This project involves a variety of new construction at the site. Improvements include the replacement of the campground electrical service, the replacement of 13 existing vault toilets with 8 new DNR standard restrooms, the installation of security lighting and water hydrants, the construction of 5 new ADA campsites, and the addition of a new campground loop road that will serve 12-18 new campsites. Project was submitted for review on 6-8-04.

- **Union County Conservation Area**

0405069 - This project involves ADA improvements at the Site maintenance facility and at the Hunter Check Station. Work items include paved parking and ramp modifications, and restroom modifications. Project was submitted for review on 6-10-04.

- **Fall Creek Rest Area**

0404916 - This project involves improvements to existing visitor use facilities within the site in order to bring the site into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Work items include accessible parking spaces and walkways and a new 10' x 10' low level wood viewing platform. Project was submitted for review on 5-28-04.

- **Union County Tree Nursery**

0405403 - This project involves improvements to the nursery offices and processing building to remove barriers to persons with disabilities. Project was submitted for review on 6-17-04.

- **Chain O' Lakes State Park**

0500161 - This project involves the regrading of the lawn in the area of the concession building due to water standing in low spots. In addition, heavy rains have led to the undermining and subsidence of the sidewalk at the rental boat dock area. The walk will be repaired or replaced as necessary. Project was submitted for review on 7-12-04.

- **Miller Anderson Woods N. P.**

0405402 - This project involves a hydrogeologic study to identify the hydrogeologic conditions along one cross section through the preserve and determine the hydrology and elevation of the water table adjacent to Ill. Rt. 29 and within the pond and wetlands along 29. Project was submitted for review on 6-18-04.

- **Hidden Springs State Forest**

040831 - This project involves the extension of approximately 9,600' of 4" water main through the park to provide yard hydrants at the shop, campground, and day use areas. Project was submitted for review on 6-13-04.

## Questions and Comments

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

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