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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, 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.

- **Sam Parr State Park**

1514146 - This project involves the construction of approximately 10 vernal pools. Constructed pools will be less than 1/8 acre in size and placed in old field areas and woodlands for the benefit of reptiles, amphibians, and other wildlife. Project was submitted for review on 6-29-15.

- **Sanganois State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1512994 - This project involves construction of a low level earth walk-way that will serve as an access path to a handicap duck blind. Project was submitted for review on 5-29-15.

- **Hennepin Canal State Trail**

1513128 - This project involves installation of a new fiber optic cable beneath the Hennepin Canal. Project was submitted for review on 6-3-15.

- **Tunnel Hill State Trail**

1513830 - This project involves replacing an existing watermain, located underneath the Tunnel Hill ST near the downtown area of Carrier Mills. Project was submitted for review on 6-19-15.

- **Horseshoe Lake State Park**

1512752 - This project involves constructing two new pole building additions to an existing pole building. Project was submitted for review on 5-20-15.

- **Sam Parr State Park**

1513949 - This project involves construction of an approximately 500' concrete bike trail near the south entrance. The project forms a part of the City of Newton bike trail system which uses a combination of shared roads and bike trails to create a loop trail extending from the City of Newton to Sam Parr State Park. Project was submitted for review on 6-23-15.

- **Mississippi River State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1511830 - This project involves constructing a gated culvert from the northwest corner of the Crull impoundment across the existing road to an adjacent agricultural field. This will be used to provide a source of water to flood areas during years of inadequate rainfall. Project was submitted for review on 4-28-15.

- **Rock River**

1511218 - This project involves placement of twenty flat-head catfish spawning structures in the Rock River. Project was submitted for review on 4-8-15.

### Questions and Comments

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

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