ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from October 15 to November 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.

• Wolf Creek State Park

1304833 - This project involves clearing encroaching vegetation on the 15 mile equestrian trail. Project was submitted for review on 10-2-12.

• I&M Canal State Trail

1305740 - This project involves continuing the removal of the Lock 14 bridge. Phase 2 continues work to remove as much of the concrete retaining walls and the associated embankment fill material as funds will allow. The following retaining walls will be removed and properly disposed of: south retaining wall, 2/3 of the east retaining wall, and a portion of the fill material between the railroad tracks and the canal. Project was submitted for review on 8-28-12.

• I&M Canal State Trail

1305155 - This project involves construction of a 15' x 24' concrete containment ramp. Ramp is required by U.S. Coast Guard when fueling vessels. Project was submitted for review on 10-15-12.

Questions and Comments

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