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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from December 15 to January 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.

- **Sahara Woods State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1106161 - This project involves the demolition of two old, dilapidated buildings. The buildings had previously been used to support mining operations on the site. Project was submitted for review on 4-22-10.

- **Mackinaw State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1105204 - This project involves the removal of exotic species such as bush honeysuckle, Autumn Olive, etc. This will be accomplished by felling, girdling, basal and cut stem herbicide treatments of invasive species. Mechanical means such as hydro axe or high hoe may also be used along with herbicide. Project was submitted for review on 11-24-10.

- **Witkowsky State Wildlife Area**

1106289 - This project involves the installation of a parking lot to allow public access to this site. Project was submitted for review on 12-20-10.

- **Witkowsky State Wildlife Area**

1106293 - This project involves the relocating an existing culvert that was washed out by recent rain events to another nearby stream to replace another culvert that was washed out by the same event. A ford crossing will be installed to provide access across the stream. Project was submitted for review on 12-20-10.

- **Eagle Creek State Park**

1106299 - This project involves replacement/repair of existing docks, replace rip-rap in designated areas of shoreline, repair existing path, etc. Project was submitted for review on 12-20-10.

- **I&M Canal State Trail**

1107085 - This project involves the construction of biking/hiking trails and a canoe landing/portage access. Project was submitted for review on 10-5-10.

Questions and Comments

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

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