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## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from November 15 to December 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.

- **Kankakee River State Park**

1405982 - This project involves installation of a 36-inch pipeline, paralleling an existing pipeline. The Kankakee River will be crossed utilizing a horizontal directional drill. Project was submitted for review on 11-11-13.

- **North Point Marina**

1310948 - This project involves beach nourishment at the marina's south end. Dredged sand (approximately 5,000 cubic yards) will be hauled via marina roads from the dewatering site to the beach nourishment site. Project was submitted for review on 3-13-13.

- **William W. Powers State Recreation Area**

1406336 - This project involves replacing two boat launch ramp sites that have reached the end of their service life. Project was submitted for review on 11-25-13.

- **Vermilion River (LaSalle County)**

1405854 – This project involves the entire removal of the Cement Plant dam and removal of the concrete blocks put in during Phase 2. Project was submitted for review on 11-6-13.

- **Sand Ridge State Forest**

1406308 - This project involves installation of a new water well in the Mockernut Meadow Day Use Area. Project was submitted for review on 11-22-13.

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1406589 - This project involves installation of a new water well in the Horseman's Park Campground. Project was submitted for review on 12-5-13.

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1406586 - This project involves installation of a new water well in the Oak Campground. Project was submitted for review on 12-5-13.

- **Sand Prairie Pheasant Habitat Area**

1405915 - This project involves tree removal/grassland restoration at Sand Prairie Pheasant Habitat Area. Project was submitted for review on 11-7-13.

- **Steward Pheasant Habitat Area**

1405916 - This project involves grassland restoration/firebreak installation at Steward Pheasant Habitat Area. Project was submitted for review on 11-7-13.

- **Shabbona Lake State Park**

1405919 - This project involves removal of exotic and invasive woody vegetation over approximately 29 acres. A hydro-axe will be used with follow up herbicide applications. Project was submitted for review on 11-7-13.

- **Sibley Habitat Area – Moraine View**

1008758 - This project involves the demolition and removal of the existing house and farm out-buildings at the Sibley Habitat Area. Project was submitted for review on 3-28-10.

- **Moraine Hills State Park**

1009112 - This project involves a continuation of Grand Illinois Trail development in McHenry and Lake Counties in and near Moraine Hills State Park. The current project will construct approximately 1.7 miles of bike trail on park land or land to be acquired. Project was submitted for review on 5-6-10.

### Questions and Comments

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

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