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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from April 15 to May 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.

- **Chain O' Lakes State Park**

1111490 - This project involves building an addition to the gatehouse. A 14' x 16' pad will be poured along with a 5' x 16' sidewalk. Project was submitted for review on 4-15-11.

- **Sangchris Lake State Park**

1111589 - This project involves the placement of a temporary ramp (100' x 100'), laid on top of the ground to the lake. The purpose of this ramp is getting heavy equipment on a barge for work on the transmission towers/lines. Project was submitted for review on 4-18-11.

- **Snakeden Hollow State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1111870 - This project involves lowering lake levels on existing former strip mine lakes, using siphons, applying approximately 200 gallons of fish toxicant to eliminate an overwhelming Carp population that is currently degrading the aquatic habitat. The lake will be restocked with a mixture of recreational species and other native species expected to do well in this environment. Project was submitted for review on 4-25-11.

- **Shelbyville State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1111936 - This project involves completing ADA improvements at the following locations: park office, Strickland Boat Ramp, Fish Hook Waterfowl, North Dunn Waterfowl, Jonathan Creek Waterfowl, Mac McGee Waterfowl, Elder Pond, Observation Deck (Prairie), Fish Hook Boat Ramp, Fish Hook Nature Trail, Observation Deck, Bethany Boat Ramp, Archery Range, Archery Trail, Denham Pit, and Hand Trap Range. Project was submitted for review on 3-26-11.

- **Rock Cut State Park**

1111975 - This project involves completing the sewer system rehabilitation and the water system improvements that were not completed in the previous phase. Project was submitted for review on 4-27-11.

- **James "Pate" Philip State Park**

1107576 - This project involves linking IDNR's loop trails to the Village of Bartlett's local trails. At this time two potential links to local trails are being planned. Link to Glenn A Koehler Fields - Construct an asphalt trail surface (currently a mowed grass path) 8' or 10' wide with 3'-5' mowed shoulders that is 40' long (on IDNR land) and 975' long on Village land. Link to Lakewood Mills Subdivision - Construct an aggregate trail surface 10' wide with 3'-5' mowed shoulders each side by about 815' long on park land. Besides trail linkage, it will serve as a firebreak for prescribed burns on the adjacent prairie. Project was submitted for review on 1-20-11.

Questions and Comments

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

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