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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from January 16 to February 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 these projects are in compliance with the Endangered Species Protection Act, Natural Areas Preservation Act, Interagency Wetlands Policy Act and cultural resource statutes.

- **Hamilton County Conservation Area**

1707674 - This project will remove autumn olive that has encroached on numerous areas throughout the site. Project was submitted for review on 2-27-17.

- **Kankakee County Flood Hazard Mitigation**

1905397 – This project involves providing financial assistance to the county for purchasing four homes for demolition and creation of open space. Project was submitted for review on 11-27-18.

- **Middlefork State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1906753 - This project involves construction of three ephemeral ponds to benefit state-listed salamanders. Project was submitted for review on 1-16-19.

- **Green River Wildlife Area**

1904334 - This project involves roof replacement at a check station building. Project was submitted for review on 10-26-18.

- **James Pate Philip State Park**

1906744 - This project involves award of a contract to control woody invasive species within Tri-County Wetland Land & Water Reserve. Project was submitted for review on 1-16-19.

- **William W Powers State Recreation Area**

1906752 - This project involves replacement of two boat launch ramps. Project was submitted for review on 1-16-19.

- **Giant City State Park**

1906682 - This project involves installation of a fire pit and benches in the group camp area. Project was submitted for review on 1-15-19.

- **Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Park**

1906933 - This project consists of roof repairs and replacement on an existing concession building. Project was originally submitted for review on 1-18-19.

- **Wildcat Hollow State Habitat Area**

1906407 - This project involves forestry mowing to remove exotic and invasive plants and successional trees on 5-10 acres of pollinator habitat. Project was originally submitted for review on 1-9-19.

- **I&M Canal Cook County**

1906058- This project involves maintenance activities on an existing pipeline. Project was submitted for review on 12-19-18.

- **Randolph County Conservation Area**

1906349- This project involves replacing a failed culvert. Project was originally submitted for review on 1-8-19.

- **Rauchfuss Hill-Golconda Marina**

1906279 - This project involves establishing a location for placement of dewatered sediment originating from Golconda Marina. Project was submitted for review on 1-4-19.

- **Des Plaines State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1906119 - This project involves vegetation maintenance activities over an existing pipeline easement. Project was submitted for review on 12-21-18.

- **Johnson Sauk Trail**

1907160 - This project involves upgrading the campground host water and sewer lines. Project was submitted for review on 1-25-19.

- **Turkey Bluff State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1906857 – This project involves removal of autumn olive and honeysuckle. Project was submitted for review on 1-17-19.

- **Giant City State Park**

1905830 - This project involves restoration of oak forest and reduction of fuel loading around the historic lodge. Project was submitted for review on 12-12-18.

- **Eldon Hazlet State Recreation Area**

1610751 - This project is a reauthorization for resurfacing the Illini Trail from a dirt surface to concrete to provide improved accessibility. Project was originally submitted for review on 5-13-16.

- **Apple River Canyon State Park**

1907099 – This project involves asbestos insulation removal from an existing pump house building damaged in 2018 flooding. Non-asbestos containing material will be installed as replacement insulation. Project was submitted for review on 1-24-19.

- **Cape Bend State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1906993 – This project involves installation of 3-4 hand-augered wells within the Southern IL University field station located within the SFWA to study groundwater contribution to nitrate dynamics in the wetland. Project was submitted for review on 1/22/19.

- **Sparta World Shooting and Recreation Complex**

1905753 - This project involves proposed construction of a new pavilion east of the existing target building. Project was submitted for review on 12-10-18.

- **Dixon Springs State Park**

1905863 -This project involves establishing a dewatered sediment disposal area in an existing open area. Project was submitted for review on 12-13-18.

- **Sparks Pond Land & Water Reserve**

1905387 – This project involves tree and shrub removal from sand prairie/grassland habitat. Project was submitted for review on 11-27-18.

- **Moraine View-Sibley Habitat Area**

1907231 – This project involves demolition and removal of the existing farm house and out-buildings. Project was originally submitted for review on 1/29/19.

- **Pullman National Monument**

1907139 – This project involves site preparation work prior to EPA's remedial actions. Limestone rubble with historical architectural value will be salvaged for later use on the site. Project was submitted for review on 1-25-19.

- **Marsailles State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1907587 – This project involves installation of new electric service on poles to the serve the IL National Guard Training Area and surrounding homes. Project was submitted for review on 2-8-19.

- **James Pate Philip State Park**

1107576 – This project is a reauthorization for construction of trails to link to existing trails located in the adjacent athletic fields and Lakewood Mills Subdivision. Project was submitted for review on 1-20-11.

- **James Pate Philip State Park**

1907752 – This project involves installation of a new roof on an existing picnic shelter. Project was submitted for review on 2-13-19.

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

1500013 – This project is a reauthorization for reconstruction of the existing Batchtown Boat Access ramp. Project was submitted for review on 7-1-14.

Questions and Comments

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

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