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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from March 15 to April 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.

- **I & M Canal**

0503490 - This project involves the construction of a walking trail along the canal from the Cal Sag Channel to Ill. Rt.83. The trail will be 10' in width with 2' shoulders. Project was submitted for review on 3-31-05.

- **Sanganois Conservation Area**

0502973 - This project involves the replacement of the severely undersized outlet structure at Crane Lake in order to better manage the constant inflow of water and sediment. Project was submitted for review on 2-15-05.

- **Roderick Prairie Nature Preserve**

0503486 - This project involves the removal of approximately 500' of mature Osage Orange trees in buffer area of the preserve. Heavy equipment will be used to pull the trees from the ground which will be deposited off site. Project was submitted for review on 3-28-05.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway**

0503124 - This project involves erosion control efforts on an area directly north of Lock 18 by sloping a highly eroded area that was once a borrow site. The project also includes the construction of a parking lot and fence. Project was submitted for review on 3-1-05

- **Frank Holten State Park**

0503383 - This project involves the burial of debris in two 20'x20'x8' disposal pits that will be done by the heavy equipment crew. Project was submitted for review on 3-15-05.

- **Tunnel Hill State Trail**

0503384 - This project involves the demolition of a building on the Bellamy Tract at the site. The material will be removed from the site except that clean fill will be buried per EPA guidelines. The area will be seeded to rye grass upon completion. Project was submitted for review on 3-15-05.

- **Lake Murphysboro State Park**

0501550 - This project involves the extension of the underground electric service under Lake Access Road and the elimination of all overhead lines that currently exist in this area. Project was submitted for review on 10-25-04.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway**

0503487 - This project involves the demolition of a 24' x 36' barn that has become a health and safety issue. Project was submitted for review on 3-28-05.

- **Prairie Ridge State Natural Area**

0503566 - This project involves the construction of 6 ephemeral ponds for reptiles and amphibians on former agricultural land. The ponds will average approximately 20" in depth. Project was submitted for review on 3-30-05.

Questions and Comments

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

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