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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from September 16 to October 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.

- **Dana Thomas House State Historic Site**

1809141—This project will complete the parking lot improvements at the site. Project most recently submitted for review on 10-09-2020.

- **Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site**

1802961—This project proposes to conduct aerial herbicide spraying for invasive species at two units of the site. Project most recently submitted for review on 9-18-2020.

- **Pierre Menard Home State Historic Site**

1905765—This project proposes to complete repairs to restore a roof and a porch at the site. Project originally submitted for review on 9-15-2020.

- **Donnelley DePue State Fish and Wildlife Area**

2105381—This project will install a light pole and electric service at the existing hunter parking area. Project originally submitted for review on 9-15-2020.

- **Beaver Dam State Park**

2104947—This project will contract a vendor to conduct follow-up non native and invasive species control within units that were previously aerially sprayed. Project originally submitted for review on 9-09-2020.

- **Fox Ridge State Park**

2010196—This project will resurface an existing trail-head parking area and 0.8 miles of the Embarras River Bike Trail. Project originally submitted for review on 6-

05-2020.

- **Dublin Highlands Pheasant Habitat Area**

2105562—This project will install a memorial stone. Project originally submitted for review on 9-17-2020.

- **White Pines Forest State Park**

2102804—This project will undertake emergency repairs of a cabin roof that was severely damaged in a storm. Project originally submitted for review on 8-17-2020.

- **Black Crown Marsh**

2102086—This project proposes to allow the Nunda Twp Highway Dept to design a stormwater retention pond within IDNR lands to accommodate local flooding without compromising nearby high-quality wetlands. Project most recently submitted for review on 8-06-2020.

- **Shabbona Lake State Recreation Area**

2105455—This project proposes to replace the check station roof at the site. Project originally submitted for review on 9-15-2020.

- **Mermet Lake Conservation Area**

2105715—This project proposes to repair a wetland levee that has been damaged by nuisance rodent burrowing. Project originally submitted for review on 9-21-2020.

- **Momence Wetlands**

2005132—This review permits Valparaiso University to conduct minor soil sampling within high quality natural areas within the wetland complex. Project originally submitted for review on 12-31-2019.

- **Red Hills State Park**

2105409—This project proposes to make improvements to the sewer and water facilities at the site, including a new vault toilet, demolition of the existing treatment plant, new trailer dump station, and new RV campground lift station and forcemains. Project originally submitted for review on 9-15-2020.

- **War Memorial State Historic Site**

2105674—This project proposes to remove a hazard

tree at the site. Project originally submitted for review on 9-18-2020.

- **William W Powers State Recreational Area**

2105833—This project will install a bike rental station as part of the Chicago Dept of Transportation's DMVY bike program. Project originally submitted for review on 9-22-2020.

- **Hennepin Canal State Parkway**

2010025—This project proposes to acquire and install rip rap and bank protection between bridges 29 and 33 on the trail. Project originally submitted for review on 6-01-2020.

- **I&M Canal**

2105672—This review permits MTCO to install underground fiber bored underneath the canal. Project originally submitted for review on 9-18-2020.

- **David Davis Mansion State Historic Site**

2009770—This project proposes to repair or replace two roofs at the site. Project originally submitted for review on 5-21-2020.

- **Donnelley DePue State Fish and Wildlife Area**

2106249—This project will repair a faulty culvert west of the maintenance complex. Project originally submitted for review on 10-01-2020.

- **Black Hawk State Historic Site**

2007157—This project proposes to rehabilitate the southern slope area of the trail system on the site. Work will include bridge/deck repair, stair repair, and repair of slope retention structures. Project originally submitted for review on 3-02-2020.

- **Illinois Beach State Park**

2009815—This project proposes to permit the Lake County Public Water District to install shoreline stabilization measures at their pump station adjacent to, and accessed by, IDNR property. This is one of several larger shore stabilization projects at the site. Project originally submitted for review on 5-22-2020.

- **Hennepin Canal**

2104938—This project proposes repair a faulty drain tile in the Lock 23 area immediately south of the canal. Project originally submitted for review on 9-09-2020.

Questions and Comments

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