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## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from August 15 to September 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.

- **Kickapoo State Park**

0701507 - This project involves the demolition of the Johnson Hill Bridge which spans the Middle Fork of the Vermillion River. A level 1 emergency affidavit was filed for demolition of the bridge. The revised CERP proposes to use a vacated county road currently used as a hiking trail to access the bridge. A work zone approximately 200 ft by 200 ft will be needed on both sides of the river. The contractor plans on pulling the bridge across the river. Any material that falls in river will be removed. Trees removed over 6"DBH will be mitigated. Project was submitted for review on 8-15-06.

- **Starved Rock / Matthiessen State Park**

0701336 - This project involves the construction of 3 gravel hunter parking lots with 6x6 wood post borders. Project was submitted for review on 7-25-06.

- **Wildcat Hollow State Habitat Area**

0701541 - This project involves improvements at three parking areas. Project will include installing parking lot bollards and two gates at three different parking areas to help control vehicle access. A new informational sign will also be installed. Project was submitted for review on 8-21-06.

- **Stephen A. Forbes State Park**

0701553 - This project involves the replacement of old unsafe playground equipment at Sassafras picnic area. Other improvements will be a concrete sidewalk and

ADA parking space. Project was submitted for review on 8-21-06.

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0604295 - This project involves the replacement of 120 feet of elevated trail stairway. A new standard trail stairway will replace the old one in the same location. Project was submitted for review on 8-21-06.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park**

0701680 - This project involves directly boring a 10 inch pipe under the prism, a minimum of 4 feet below the canal bottom east of bridge 22. They will attempt not to disturb anything on the surface. Project was submitted for review on 8-11-06.

- **Pere Marquette State Park**

0701184 - This project will provide for the reconstruction of an existing road facility. The project consists of removing a section of the road and rebuilding the roadway. A temporary haul road will be constructed within the road improvement area and temporary areas for storage. Project was submitted for review on 8-9-06.

- **Rock Island State Trail**

0703265 - This project involves the re-alignment of Wilhelm Road to the north with a wider width and take a portion of the Rock Island Trail. Project was submitted for review on 9-12-06

### Questions and Comments

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

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