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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.

- **Lowden State Park Area**

1303394 - This project involves installation of 3 signs to alert canoes of the impending dam as part of the Rock River Water Trail. Project was submitted for review on 8-22-12.

- **Carlyle Lake State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1301330 - This project involves brush removal in subimpoundments. A hydro-axe will be used to clear the woody vegetation from levee embankments, crop fields, and moist soil management units. Project was submitted for review on 7-23-12.

- **Ferne Clyffe State Park**

1303368 - This project involves clearing trees to maintain Right of Way back to the original 25 feet for a pipeline. All equipment will be tracked to avoid ruts. Project was submitted for review on 8-20-12.

- **Pere Marquette State Park**

1302315 - This project involves repairs to the roof and exterior of cabins at Camp Ouatoga. Project was submitted for review on 8-9-12.

- **Hennepin Canal State Trail**

1304012 - This project involves roadway reconstruction along Illinois Route 40 in Rock Falls across the State Trail. Project will include bridge replacement, pavement improvements, roadway right of way manipulation and drainage, re-alignment of the Hennepin Canal Trail. Project was submitted for review on 9-11-12.

- **Apple River State Park**

1302561 - This project involves construction of three hunter parking lots. The gravel parking lots will be located on the Salem Unit/ Wiley Tract (2) and on the Hanover Bluff/ White property. Project was submitted for review on 8-13-12.

- **Marshall State Fish & Wildlife Area**

1302500 - This project involves removal of sediments that have accumulated over the last ten years, in order to re-establish the original design depth of the impoundment. All material removed from the fishing channel shall be transported out of the floodplain to a 3 acre field located approximately one mile north of the site. Project was submitted for review on 8-1-12.

- **I & M Canal State Trail**

1216447 - This project involves improvements to 2.82 miles of the state trail west of the City of Marseilles that is mostly within the canal prism. The trail becomes too wet and is flooded repetitively by stormwater runoff. Work also will improve surfacing on some adjoining trail segments that will remain. Project was submitted for review on 6-12-12.

- **Woodford County Conservation Area**

1302514 - This project shall recreate and maintain a suitable depth in the existing pump ditch in order to provide a water source for the Richard Brook Forest Wetland Management Unit. Material removed from the ditch shall be used to reinforce the existing levee sections within the forested wetland area. Project was submitted for review on 7-31-12.

- **Kankakee River State Park**

1216623 - This project involves developing a walking/biking trail system along the Kankakee River. Phase 4 is the connection from the Perry Farm/City of Bourbonnais to the state parks trail at Davis Creek Day Use Area. Project was submitted for review on 8-9-12.

Questions and Comments

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

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