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## ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS COMPLETED

Project reviews completed from May 15 to June 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.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway**

0504351 - This project involves emergency repairs to Lock 22 on the canal. The structure is failing and, if not addressed, could dewater the entire 29 miles of the Feeder Canal. Locks 16, 23, and 24 will also be restored at this time. Project was submitted for review on 6-7-05.

- **Sanganois State Fish & Wildlife Area**

0503953 - This project involves the repair of a breach in the slough embankment that is allowing water to flow out of Chain Lake. The repair will be made with #5 riprap and then sealing it with bottom sediment from Panther Slough. Project was submitted for review on 5-12-05.

- **Sahara Woods**

0503952 - This project involves the improvement to existing roads within the Fish & Wildlife Area. Three new hunter parking lots and two new boat access parking lot will also be constructed. Project was submitted for review on 5-2-05.

- **Kaskaskia River SF&WA**

0503954 - This project involves the raising approximately 300' of an existing gravel roadway in order to stabilize and manage water levels within an existing wetland that now flow over the road. Project was submitted for review on 5-2-05.

- **Winston Tunnel**

0504230 - This project involves the construction of a 10 car gravel parking lot at the western edge of the

property off Blackjack Road. Additional work items will include the installation of a gate and definition posts and miscellaneous tree and brush clearing. Project was submitted for review on 5-25-05.

- **Hennepin Canal Parkway**

0504488 - This project involves the planting of a hackberry tree in the Lock 33 area as a memorial to their father (a locktender). Project was submitted for review on 6-14-05.

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0504494 - This project involves the placement of an informational kiosk at the Bridge 45 access area on Rt. 40. Project was submitted for review on 6-14-05.

- **I & M Canal**

0504104 - This project involves the relocation of overhead electrical lines underground at the South Public Landing lot. Two transformers will also be installed. Project was submitted for review on 5-12-05.

- **Siloam Springs State Park**

0504578 - This project involves the private drilling of four oil wells at the Buckhorn Unit. Access will be across agricultural fields and field edges. Project was submitted for review on 6-19-05.

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

0504258 - This project involves the establishment of a multi-purpose trail along Waddams Creek that will connect an existing trail with a service trail/road. Project was submitted for review on 5-26-05.

- **Silver Springs**

0504775 - This project involves the installation of an 8 inch field tile through an existing levee. The Guardian Pipeline Company will do the work. Project was submitted for review on 6-30-05.

## Questions and Comments

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

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