



***Natural Resource Department
April 2015 – PROGRESS REPORT***

Habitat Restoration Projects

Clearing Efforts Have Ended at the following Preserves:

Southern Des Plaines Woodland Restoration Projects
Middlefork Savanna – Western Side
Lakewood Forest Preserve
Wadsworth Savanna
Rollins Savanna
Grant Woods
Cuba Marsh

Started Farmland Clean-up at Dutch Gap Forest Preserve

Pine Dunes Forest Preserve Tollway Mitigation Project

Public Access and Trails have been 70% completed
Restoration of the wetlands has commenced
Stream restoration work is underway
Woody clearing is near completion

Wisconsin-Illinois Lakeplain Restoration Efforts

Implemented Agreements for Stage IV Invasive Species Strike Force Team and Follow-up

Ecological Investigations

Buckthorn Population Mapping with the Field Museum

Hydrological Analysis

Grainger Woods and Wright Woods has started
Middlefork Savanna - southern and eastern sectors has started

Wildlife Programs

Lincoln Park Zoo Received Preliminary Approval of a INDR Illinois Wildlife Action Grant for Amphibian Research at Southern Des Plaines Forest Preserves.