**Section 110.210 Definitions**

"Accessibility projects" – means projects that provide improved access to trails or trail amenities for all trail users, but especially for trail users with disabilities.

"Adopt-a-Trail Agreement" – means a legally binding document on and between a volunteer group and the Department in which the volunteer project is fully described and the parties' individual responsibilities as related to the volunteer project are defined.

"Adopt-a-Trail Program" or "Program" – means the program created by Section 805-45 of the Department of Natural Resources (Conservation) Law [20 ILCS 805/805-45].

"Application" – means a request, submitted on a form provided by the Department, by a volunteer group proposing to engage in a volunteer activity on a trail or a segment of a trail.

"Authorized representative" – means an individual who has been approved to act on behalf of the Department.

"Department" – means the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

"Eligible member" – means an individual who has complied with all existing Department procedures, as well as any other federal, State or local requirements, to participate as a volunteer of the Department.

"Law" – means the Department of Natural Resources (Conservation) Law [20 ILCS 805].

"Public information and assistance" – means projects that are associated with events in which volunteers may provide information and assistance during the event.

"Responsible party" – means an individual who will coordinate an approved volunteer group, and ensure compliance with the submitted project proposal, Section 805-45 of the Law and this Part while that group is engaged in Adopt-a-Trail activities on Department land.

"Special events" – means a function or occasion held on an adopted trail, trail segment or trail system in association with a specific purpose for attendance or participation.

"Spring cleanups" – means projects that assist in the removal of natural debris and plant materials that may have accumulated over the period of closure.

"Trail" – means a named trail, or segment of a named trail, agreed upon and approved by the Department.

"Trail maintenance, enhancement or realignment" – means projects that focus on general maintenance and removal of trash and natural debris. Enhancement means projects that focus on Department approved alterations that enhance and improve the trail and trail user experience.

"Training" – means projects that educate volunteers on the Adopt-a-Trail program or elements associated with projects.

"Volunteer group" – means a group of individuals approved by the Department that consists of at least 6 eligible members who are 18 years of age or older, or a school or scout group that will be supervised by someone 18 or older, who offer to perform services or undertakings approved by the Department through an Adopt-a-Trail project.

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