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SUBJECT: INF- JULY 2004 PHOTO CONTEST WINNER

Purpose. To announce the winner of the July Photo Contest and provide information about the August Photo Contest.

Expiration Date. September 30, 2004.

Sonia Jacobsen, St. Paul Hydraulic Engineer, is the recipient of the July 2004 Photo Contest "Conservation Practice Construction".



"Shown is a waterway in Freeborn County which outlets through a culvert under a county road. The water drops several feet before it can enter the road culvert. This grade stabilization structure (riser and conduit stub) was installed to convey the water without erosion. The trash rack is on the ground behind the worker. The worker is applying mastic to the new conduit stub and existing culvert so the connecting band will seal tightly. This installation was in December so the second worker is using a propane torch to keep the mastic warm. "

All of the photos that were submitted were all of very high quality and we appreciate those NRCS employees who participated. The August 2004 photo theme is, **Minnesota Wildlife**. We encourage all NRCS employees to participate. Submit your digital photos to Julie MacSwain, Public Affairs Specialist at 651-602-7859 or e-mail julie.macswain@mn.usda.gov

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