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SUBJECT: PAS – AUGUST PHOTO CONTEST

Purpose. To announce the winner of the August contest

Expiration Date. September 30, 2008.

Robert Joachim, District Conservationist, Preston, MN, has been named the recipient of the August 2008 Digital Photo Contest award. The photo theme for August was **Conservation Partnership.**

This month's winning photo shows a Conservation Partnership of partners viewing a completed Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) project. The project was engineered by the NRCS area staff in Rochester. Three hundred feet of streambank stabilization was installed along with nine Luncker structures for trout habitat development. Pictured from left to right: Carol Soland (landowner and contract holder); Jessica Bronson, Soil Conservationist; and LuVerne Soland and Jeff Hastings, Trout Unlimited (TU). Trout Unlimited used LCMR grant money to piggyback on top of WHIP funds. Because MN DNR fisheries obtained an easement of the stream corridor, TU picked up the expense that WHIP did not cover, bringing the total cost-share to 100%.



The theme for the September contest is **Renewable Energy**. This photo contest is open to NRCS employees. Please submit one photo for the photo contest and e-mail your picture along with a brief narrative to [julie.macswain@mn.usda.gov](mailto:julie.macswain@mn.usda.gov) by May 30, 2008. Utilize the highest camera resolution, such as 300 dpi, and a minimum image size of 8 ½ x 11 inches.

If you have any questions regarding the contest, contact Julie MacSwain, State Public Affairs Specialist. Thank you to everyone who participated in the August 2008 photo contest.

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