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SUBJECT: INF - DIGITAL PHOTO CONTEST FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2008

Purpose. To provide information about the Digital Photo Contest.

Expiration Date. December 31, 2008.

The 2008 Digital Photo Contest themes for calendar year 2008 will again center around the NRCS Strategic Plan for 2005-2010. The Strategic Plan sets the direction for NRCS and describes our conservation priorities and goals. This plan will guide NRCS in implementing key overarching strategies, managing agency business lines, meeting customer needs, and developing and strengthening capacity to achieve our mission goals.

The photo contest is open to NRCS employees in Minnesota. Employees are encouraged to try to include pictures of people in the submission of photos. Please keep in mind high-quality pictures are desired for this contest. Remember to submit your **best photo** each month if you plan to participate in the photo contest. Pictures are to be taken in accordance with the designated monthly photo theme(s). See the list of photo themes below:

PHOTO THEMES - 2008

January – Helping People Help the Land
February – Working Farms and Ranch Lands
March – Conservation Planning and Technical Consultation
April – Employees Making a Difference
May – Cooperative Conservation with our Conservation Partners
June – Clean Water
July – Wetlands
August – Conservation Partnership
September – Renewable Energy
October – Conservation Implementation on our Minnesota Landscape
November – Productive Lands – Healthy Environment
December – RC&D Making Things Happen in Minnesota

Submit your digital photo along with a brief photo description to Julie MacSwain, Public Affairs Specialist, and julie.macsSwain@mn.usda.gov. Monthly award winners will be recognized with a suitable non-monetary spot award.

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