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**NEW TECHNOLOGY, RESEARCH AND EQUIPMENT
COMMITTEE AND MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS RESEARCH**

Wendy Frederickson, MnDOT Winter Maintenance Coordinator, and Kathy Schaefer, Circuit Training and Assistance Training Program Instructor, are in the final days of the "2003, Getting Ready for Winter," statewide presentations. Their message of maintaining safe roads in an economical way that also protects the environment was heard and well received by snowplow operators across the state. The Metro District Snow and Ice meetings will take place during November and into early December. For anybody who might have missed this important information, a make-up session is scheduled for December 2nd at the Arden Hills Training Center.



Emergency Traffic Control Truck

A major area of concern throughout the state is finding an effective method of responding to emergency situations needing traffic control. When traffic needs to be re-routed or lanes closed as soon as possible the traditional method involves more than one vehicle, trailers, and possibly message boards. The Emergency Traffic Control Truck was specifically designed by a Mn/DOT employee to handle almost any traffic control situation, large or small with only one or two persons. This truck has been in use by Metro Night Maintenance for two years and the people who use it are very satisfied.

**Upcoming Events:
NTREC meeting Dec 3rd
Get your proposals in to
Maint Research**

Comments or questions?
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