



Maintenance Research Bulletin

NTREC New Technology Research Equipment Committee
MOR Maintenance Operations Research

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Maintenance Operations Research Opportunity

Maintenance Operations Research Unit posted a TPS3 position for both promotional and lateral. This position provides management and technical support to districts on MOR/NTREC program.

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Maintenance Operations Research Staff

Linda Taylor, research and training engineer in the Office of Maintenance, has accepted the session mobility assignment with the Office of Government Affairs. Her appointment began Jan. 11.

Upcoming Events

11th Annual Minnesota Pavement
Conference
February 15th, 2007
Continuing Education Conference
Center, St Paul

ATTSA "How To" Training and
Education Workshop
Ramada Plaza Suites, Fargo ND
March 20, 21, 2007

Spring Maintenance Expo
April 10-11, 2007
St Cloud, Public Works

2007 APWA North American
Snow Conference



Rubber Blades

Metro District is testing rubber plow blades this winter season on a couple trucks at the Lakeville station. The test is to evaluate the effect of rubber blades on the pavement markings and to evaluate if the blades are durable and if they cause less wear on road striping. The blades would perform like a regular blade and are less than half the price of steel blades. Maintenance will also test the reflectivity of the pavement markings on these roads this winter and next spring to determine how much wear has occurred.

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