



# Maintenance Research

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**NTREC--New Technology Research Equipment Committee**

**MOR-- Maintenance Operations Research**



### Limb hog

The limb hog is a chain saw attachment that attaches to the tractor's front-end loader bucket. This allows crews to safely trim limbs 8 feet higher than the bucket can reach while the operator is safe in the tractor cab. Currently, maintenance crews use ladders to reach limbs that need to be cleared because boom trucks aren't always available. This creates safety risks due to the potential of falling with a running chain saw or injuries caused by falling limbs. District 6 will evaluate the limb hog for its ability to clear limbs safely, efficiently and whether or not it will eliminate the need for boom trucks to clear high hanging limbs.

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### Upcoming Events

22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Transportation  
Research Conference  
Crowne Plaza St. Paul, Mn  
May 24-25, 2011

Fall Maintenance Expo  
St. Cloud Public Works  
October 5-6, 2011

Maintenance Research Website  
[http://www.dot.state.mn.us/  
maint/research.html](http://www.dot.state.mn.us/maint/research.html)

Take time to remember those  
who fought for us



Memorial Day May 30, 2011

**Leadership Exchange:**  
Farideh Amiri (Research  
Engineer) is leaving the Office  
of Maintenance on a 1 year  
mobility to the Research  
Services Section. Clark Moe  
will manage the Maintenance  
Research Program while  
Farideh is on her mobility.  
Thanks for all you have done  
and Good Luck Farideh!

Comments? Questions?  
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