

AGC – MnDOT BRIDGE AWARDS ANNOUNCED

Four AGC of Minnesota contractors have been recognized for their superior work during the 2012 construction season by receiving AGC – MnDOT Bridge Awards. The annual awards recognize and showcase craftsmanship, technical skills, and dedication to delivering a high quality product in the bridge construction market. Three award categories are designated and each submitted project is reviewed, scored, and evaluated by a panel of MnDOT and industry representatives.



Low Cost Structure
(Less than \$1.5M)
Co-Award Winner
Bridge #15513

Mississippi River in Lake Itasca State Park
Redstone Construction, Inc., Mora

Redstone Construction and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) were honored for this beautiful structure spanning the Mississippi River in Lake Itasca State Park, just downstream from the famed Mississippi headwaters. The project addressed a number of complexities, including the need to utilize the existing structural footprint to limit ground disturbances in a sensitive archeological area and stream realignment to correct past alterations and provide a more lucrative habitat for fish and wildlife. Project scheduling was extremely tight as the bridge is located on the only road providing access to the headwaters area. Construction began in the fall of 2011 and was completed Labor Day weekend 2012. The bridge features aesthetic design elements (natural stone abutments and a wooden deck surface) that show case the natural landscape and announce to visitor's arrival at the state park.

A member of the AGC of MN for over 65 years, Wheeler provided all the treated timber components and related hardware for this project.