

An aerial photograph of a city, likely St. Louis, Missouri, featuring a large river (the Mississippi River) and a prominent cable-stayed bridge (the Gateway Arch Bridge). The city skyline is visible in the background, including several tall buildings and a large stadium. The text "HYDRAULIC ACTIVITIES IN THE MIDWEST" is overlaid in yellow, bold, serif font across the top half of the image.

HYDRAULIC ACTIVITIES IN THE MIDWEST

**Western Hydraulics
Conference**

April 15-17, 2003

Proposed Interstate 70 Bridge at St. Louis



BLUE CABLES – RIVER VIEW

View from Joe's Sailboat

MAIN SPAN	2,000 FT
WIDTH	222 FT
EST. COST	\$385 MIL



Toledo, Ohio
Interstate 280
Maumee River
\$220 Million

400 ft Navigation Span
120 ft Vertical Clearance



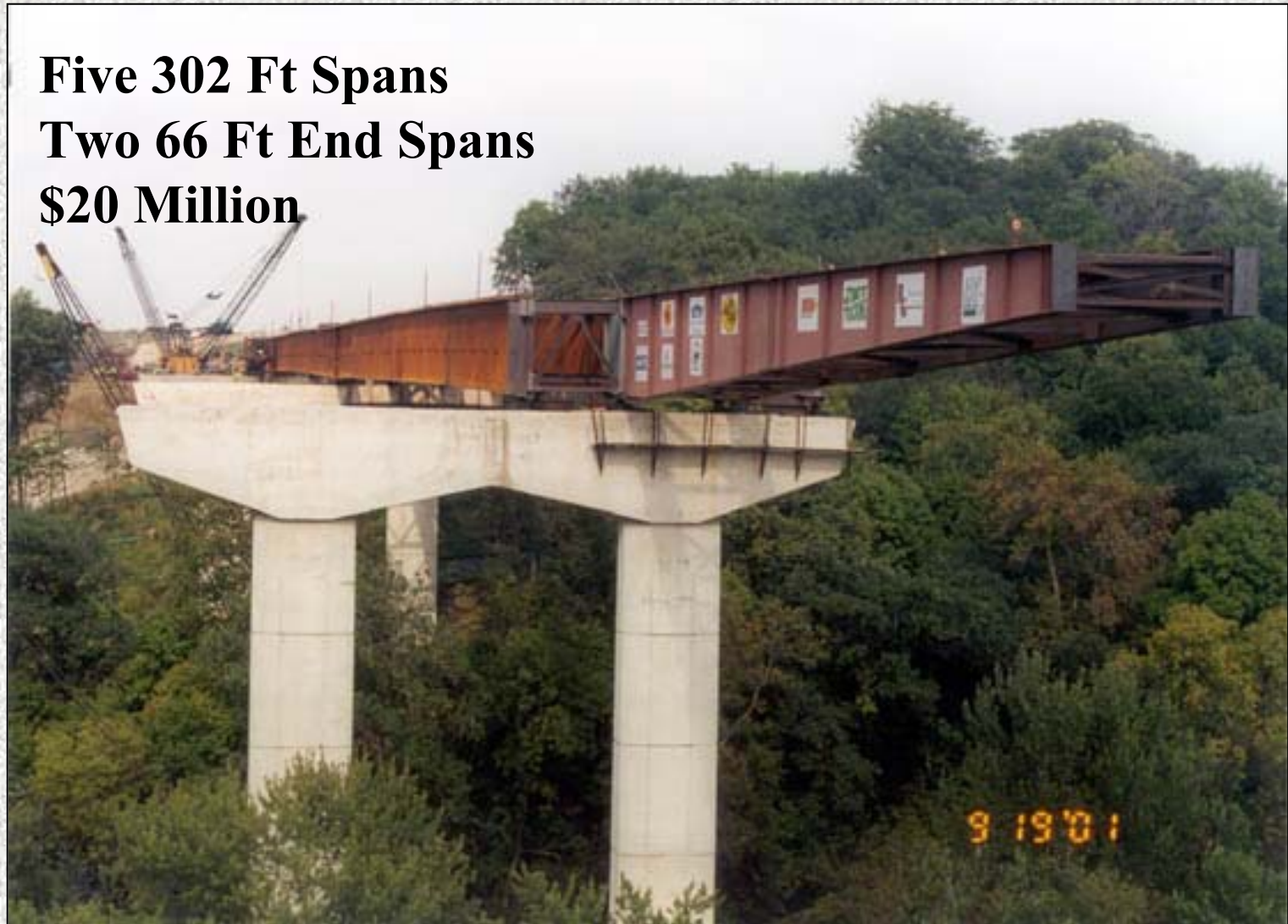
Aerial Photo - 10/15/02

**US 20 - Iowa River
Longest Total Span
Launched Steel Bridge**



Launching Nose Accommodates Deflection

Five 302 Ft Spans
Two 66 Ft End Spans
\$20 Million



Aerial Photo – 3/25/02



Old Growth Woodland
Bald Eagle Roosting Area
Rare Northern Monkshood
3 Endangered Species of
Freshwater Mussels

I 494 – Minneapolis Existing Tied Arch



**I 494 – Minneapolis
Proposed**



Historic Julien Dubuque Bridge

US 20 – Mississippi River



Proposed Companion Bridge

\$165 Million

Scour Issues



SCOUR COUNTERMEASURES

- RIPRAP
- ARTICULATED FLOWABLE
MATTRESSES
- A-JACKS

**A-Jacks Installation
in Illinois**



Freeze/Thaw Test Results



**Spread Footing
on Rock**



2002 Midwestern Floods

US 40 in Illinois



Overflow Bridge



Contraction Scour



Interstate 80 - Nebraska





500 + Year Flood
11-12 inches of rainfall





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RESEARCH PROJECTS

- **MnDOT – Performance of Plastic Pipe**
- **InDOT – Video Monitoring of Debris**
- **NeDOT – Estimate Channel Migration /Degradation Rate**
- **NeDOT – Hydrology of Sand Hill area**
- **MiDOT – Rainfall Study – Intensity Duration Frequency Curves**

**MnDOT Research
Plastic Pipe Performance**

- 8 – 60” Plastic Pipes**
- 1 – 60” Concrete pipe**
- 1 – 60” Metal Pipe**



Indiana - Video Monitoring of Debris Flow





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HYDINFRA 2002 Collection Season Summary

Thomas Martin, Hydraulic Automation Unit

The 2002 hydraulic infrastructure data collection season was another good year even with fewer districts and field inspectors collecting. The third phase of the HYDINFRA enhancements, maintenance and additions was implemented and the number of records increased to a whopping 45,409 (a 38% increase this season). Ryan Thilges of D7 collected the second highest number of records with 1,692 from Jan. 1, 2002 to the time this article was written. This increase for District 7 was a Herculean 51% increase of total HYDINFRA records.

District 3 was third with their data collection. Laurie Havron, (aka Harris) collected 1,164 records this year increasing D3's total number of records 11% to 10,978. Kevin Coyle of District 4 also had a great collection year, albeit truncated by early spring duties, collecting 726. Kevin's 700 plus records was a 22% increase of the district's HYDINFRA records collected and inspected. Also collecting data this year were D6 and D1 with 364 and 164 records, respectively.

Districts 2 and 8 lost their data collectors due to budgetary cutbacks. Todd Campbell, District 1, also was unable to hire (more correctly, unable to keep) his student worker for HYDINFRA data collection. District 1 had all of this season's data collected prior to the end of the school year allowing them to register as a 2002 data-collecting district.

Following are several graphics eaining the status of the district's efforts within HYDINFRA:

Hydraulics Workshop

Mark your calendars, the 2003 Spring Hydraulics Workshop will be held at the Arden Hill Training Facility on May 6th and 7th. Right now we are looking for agenda topics and ideas for interactive training seminars. Also, Bonnie Peterson has offered to host a picnic on Tuesday evening at her house if people are interested.

Please contact Sheila Kauppi if you have items you would like to see presented at the Workshop.



Urban Drainage Design Course

The National Highway Institute's Urban Drainage Design Course is scheduled for March 4 – 6, 2003 at the MnDOT Training Center. Registration for the class will be through Employee Development once the class has been posted. This course provides a detailed introduction to urban roadway drainage design. Design guidance for solving basic problems encountered in urban roadway drainage design is provided.

Topics to be discussed:

- HYDROLOGY - Rational Equation - Soil Conservation Method - Regression Equations - Synthetic Hydrographs
- HIGHWAY DRAINAGE - Gutter Flow - Roadway Inlet Interception - Storm Drain Systems - Energy and Hydraulic Grade Lines
- Detention Ponds - Storm Water Management

Fluvial Geomorphology

Around 30 MnDOT personnel attended the Fluvial Geomorphology class at the end of October. An important part of the class was learning to classify streams based on geomorphic criteria. The photo shows class members learning to do a pebble count in the **COLD** water to determine the appropriate channel material type.

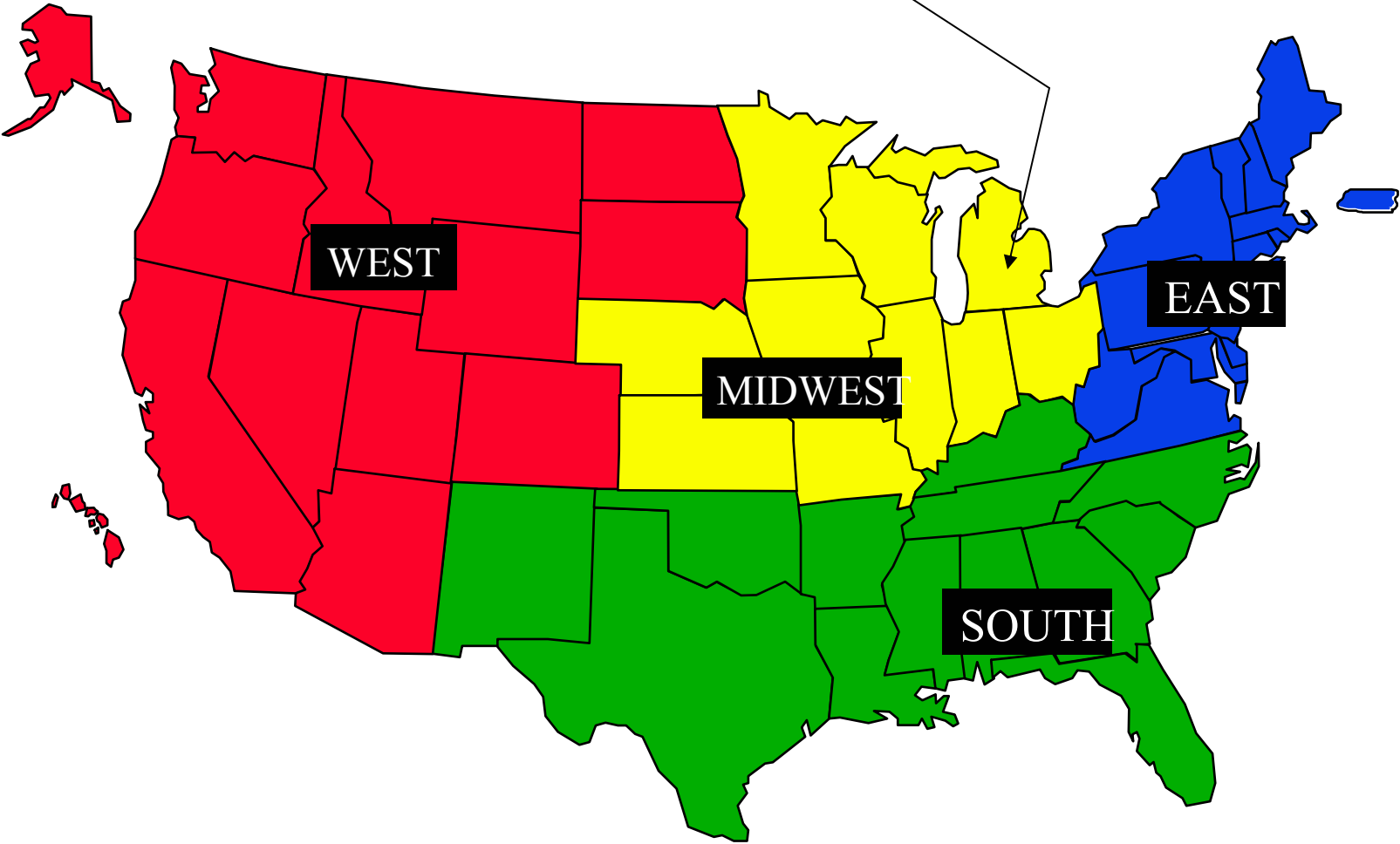
Once the stream has been classified, we have a much better understanding of the processes that are forming the stream and potentially causing instability. We should also then have a better understanding of what measures may be effective for restoring stream stability.



Fluvial Geomorphology: The study of earth forms and shapes associated with rivers.

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August 26 – 28, 2003



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Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center

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