

**PENNINGTON COUNTY
CULVERT STEAMING POLICY
March 2011**

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for opening culverts that are blocking flows during the spring runoff season. The problem occurs when a culvert under a public road or private driveway becomes blocked due to ice or snow and causes water to back up. This policy will give guidance to department employees on when culverts should be opened. It is also intended to protect the investments upstream and downstream of the problem.

Policy: The department may remove an obstruction in a culvert when the Engineer determines that the backwater is posing a flooding threat to list without causing harm to the same.

1. Dwellings
2. Commercial Structures
3. Public Roads

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF PENNINGTON**

I, Kenneth Olson, Auditor of Pennington County, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution moved by Commissioner Peterson, seconded by Commissioner Hempel, and upon vote was unanimously carried.

Date: March 22, 2011

Kenneth Olson, Auditor
Pennington County