NPS Form 10-900 (Rev. 10-90)

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES NATIONAL PARK SI REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register* of *Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name <u>Bridge No. 5827</u> other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number Mn.	Hwy. 60		
not for publication	<u>N/A</u>		
city or town <u>Zumbro</u>	Falls	vicinity	<u>N/A</u>
state <u>Minnesota</u>	code <u>MN</u> county <u>Wabasha</u>	code	<u>157</u>
zip code <u>55991</u>			

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

In my opinion, the property _____ meets ____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

4. National Park Service Certification
I, hereby certify that this property is a way with the National Register
removed from the National Register other (explain):
5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply) _____ private _____ public-local _X__ public-State _____ public-Federal Category of Property (Check only one box) _____ building(s)

- ____ district
- X structure object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
0	<u> 0 </u> buildings
0	<u> 0 </u> sites
1	<u>0</u> structures
0	<u> 0 </u> objects
	O Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register $\underline{N/A}$

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.) <u>Historic Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota</u>

6. Function or Use

Historic	Functi	ons (Enter	r categorie	es from	m instru	ctions)	
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Narrativ	e Descri	ption (De	scribe the	histor	ric and	current	condition

of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- <u>X</u> C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ____ D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- ____ A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- _____B removed from its original location.
- ____ C a birthplace or a grave.
- ____ D a cemetery.
- _____ E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ____ F a commemorative property.
- ____ G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions) ENGINEERING

Period of Significance 1938

Significant Dates 1938

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Cultural Affiliation _____

Architect/Builder <u>Contractor/Builder: WPA</u> <u>Designer: Minnesota Highwav Department</u>

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- ____ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- ____ previously listed in the National Register
- ____ previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ____ designated a National Historic Landmark
- ____ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- ____ recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data

- ____ State Historic Preservation Office
- X Other State agency
- ____ Federal agency
- ____ Local government
- ____ University
- ____ Other

Name of repository: Minnesota Department of Transportation

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zumbro Falls, Minn., 1974 Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jeffrey A. Hess, Historian organization Hess, Roise and Company street & number The Foster House, 100 North First Street city or town Minneapolis______ state MN_ zip code 55401 telephone (612) 338-1987_____ date September 1997_____

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
 - A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property C	wner											
(Complete	this	item	at	the	request	of	the	SHPO	or	FPO.)		
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telephone city or to					_		\$	state		_ zip	code	

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Bridge No. 5827

name of property

Wabasha County, Minnesota county and state

Description

Located in a rural area within the municipal limits of Zumbro Falls, Bridge No. 5827 stands on Minnesota Trunk Highway 60, spanning a small coulee that periodically serves as a stream bed. The bridge carries a 32-foot-wide roadway on several feet of earth fill. Its location is not marked by railings. In its engineering, Bridge No. 5827 is a multi-plate arch with a 20-foot-long span and a 76-foot-wide barrel. The arch is anchored by concrete headwalls and concrete abutments buttressed by stepped, flared wingwalls. A veneer of rock-faced, random-work, buff-colored limestone covers all the concrete work. Articulated by neatly blocked ringstones of varying heights, the semi-circular arch springs from well-defined impost ledges that are half the bridge's total height. The bridge has almost no parapet; instead, the headwalls abruptly terminate in a flat coping course. Bridge No. 5827 still embodies its original design, as revealed in plans, dated 1938, on file with the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

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Summary of Significance

According to Minnesota Department of Transportation records, Bridge No. 5827 was designed by the Minnesota Highway Department in March 1938 and constructed that same year by the WPA for an approximate cost of \$2,000. The structure is an example of a stone-faced, multi-plate arch. Introduced by the Armco Culvert Manufacturers Association in 1931, multi-plate was a galvanized, corrugated-iron product fabricated in curved segments to facilitate shipping in "nested" position. For bridge construction, the segments were bolted together in the field to form an arch, which was typically anchored by concrete headwalls and abutments. Frequently, the concrete work was ornamented with stone facing in order to simulate a stone-arch bridge. Such construction found ready acceptance with work-relief planners of the 1930s, for the stone-faced, multi-plate arch bridge was highly compatible with the New Deal's agenda of promoting highway beautification, local craft skills, and labor-intensive public works projects.

Particularly noteworthy for its fine, rock-faced, random-work, limestone masonry, Bridge No. 5287 is eligible for the National Register for its design and workmanship under Criterion C, within the historic context of "Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota, 1873-1945." The Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF) associated with this context presents the following registration criteria for the multi-plate arch type:

Since the multi-plate arch bridge is most notable for its modular corrugated-metal construction and stone headwalls and spandrels, these features should be clearly visible and relatively unaltered. And since the multi plate arch bridge enjoyed its vogue at least partly because of the New Deal's encouragement of roadside beautification, the bridge's workmanship and design should be on the original site, harmonious with the general setting, of high aesthetic quality, and of

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New Deal vintage.

Bridge No. 5827 satisfies all of these criteria.

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name of property

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Archival Sources

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- Bridge No. 5827 File. Minnesota Department of Transportation, Bridge Division, St. Paul.
- Bridge No. 5827 File. Wabasha County Highway Department, Wabasha, Minnesota.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The general area of the nominated property is a rectangle approximately 73 feet wide, whose long center axis parallels the centerline of the bridge. The property is bounded at each end by the outer edges of the abutments.

Boundary Justification

Based on measurements provided by the Minnesota Department of Transportation, the boundaries enclose the entire historic resource.