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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES 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. 5757</u> other names/site number <u>N/A</u>
2. Location
street & number Mn. Hwy. 23 over Mission Creek not for publication N/A city or town Duluth state Minnesota code MN county Saint Louis code 137 zip code 55808
3. State/Federal Agency Certification
As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this x nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide x locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.) Signature of certifying official Date Tan R. Stewart, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer State or Federal agency and bureau Minnesota Historical Society
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
State or Federal agency and bureau

USDI / NPS Registration Form Bridge No. 5757 St. Louis County, Minnesota

4. National Park Service Certification
entered in the National Register See continuation sheet. determined eligible for the National Register See continuation sheet. determined not eligible for the National Register removed from the National Register other (explain): Signature of Keeper Date of Action
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
site structure object
Number of Resources within Property
Contributing Noncontributing 0 0 buildings 0 sites 1 0 structures 0 0 objects 1 0 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.) Historic Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota

6. Functi	on or Use
	Functions (Enter categories from instructions) TRANSPORTATION Sub: road-related (vehicular)
Current F	unctions (Enter categories from instructions)
Cat:	TRANSPORTATION Sub: road-related (vehicular)
7. Descri	ption
	ural Classification (Enter categories from instructions) HER: Multi-plate arch
fo	(Enter categories from instructions) oundation_(Substructure) CONCRETE; STONE
wa	ther (Superstructure) METAL; CONCRETE; STONE

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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Description

Located in a residential neighborhood in the Fond du Lac area of Duluth, Bridge No. 5757 carries Minnesota Trunk Highway 23 over Mission Creek on an east-west alignment. The highway is divided into two 30-foot-wide, bituminous-covered, concrete-slab roadways, with a tree-planted, grassy boulevard in the middle and a concrete sidewalk on the south side. Bridge No. 5757 is a two-span, multiplate arch with concrete substructure, headwalls, railings, and retaining walls -- all encased in a veneer of rubblework fieldstone. Semi-circular in shape and defined by well-blocked masonry ringstones with an enlarged keystone, each arch has a 20foot-long span and a 115-foot-wide barrel covered by a layer of earth fill several feet deep. The masonry veneer displays Late Gothic Revival detailing: buttressed pilasters frame the multiplate openings, and small pointed arches punctuate the railings. A metal plague on the east end of the south railing bears the following inscription: "Minnesota Highway Dept Bridge No. 5757 1937." Plans for Bridge No. 5757, dated March 1937, are on file with the Minnesota Department of Transportation. These drawings indicate that the original design called for two 20-foot-wide roadways and two sidewalks. At an undetermined date, the roadways were widened and the north-side sidewalk eliminated. alterations did not significantly affect the bridge's original design and workmanship. Bridge No. 5757 retains its historical integrity.

8. Statement of	Significance
	ional Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more criteria qualifying the property for National ng)
A	Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
В	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 Consid	derations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)
A	owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
В	removed from its original location.
с	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 Signi	ficance (Enter categories from instructions) <pre>ENGINEERING</pre>
Period of Sign	ificance 1937
Significant Da	tes <u>1937</u>

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
Cultural Affiliation
Architect/Builder Contractor/Builder: A.A. Bodin and Sons Designer: Minnesota Highway Department
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 <u>less than one acre</u>
UTM References (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet) Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing 1 15 555430 5167470 3
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 <u>(612) 338-1987</u>
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 Owner
(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)
name
street & number
telephone
city or town state zip code

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.). Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Summary of Significance

In March 1937, as part of a general improvement of Minnesota Trunk Highway 23 through the Duluth area, the Minnesota Highway Department prepared stone-faced, multi-plate plans for the construction of Bridge No. 5757 over Mission Creek. A month later, the agency awarded a low-bid contract for the bridge, in the amount of \$24,014, to A.A. Bodin and Son of Minneapolis. contractor completed the project before the end of the year. As the highway department noted in its biennial report for 1937-1938, federal funding "was largely responsible" for all trunk The allotment came highway construction work during the period. with the provision that "at least one per cent of these funds be expended for roadside improvement along the trunk highways." With its grassy, tree-planted boulevard and finely crafted masonry work, Bridge No. 5757 appears to have been part of this highway beautification movement.

Despite its federal subsidy, Bridge No. 5757 was not a classic work-relief labor project in the sense that it directly employed WPA or CCC labor. But its multi-plate design was very much part of the New Deal work-relief era. 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, for stone-faced, multi-plate arches such as Bridge No. 5757 were highly compatible with the New Deal's agenda of promoting highway beautification, local craft skills, and labor-intensive public works projects.

Noteworthy for its well-crafted masonry and Late Gothic Revival detailing, Bridge No. 5757 is eligible for the National Register for its design and workmanship under Criterion C, within the

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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 New Deal vintage.

Bridge No. 5757 satisfies all of these criteria.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The general area of the nominated property is a rectangle approximately 40 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.



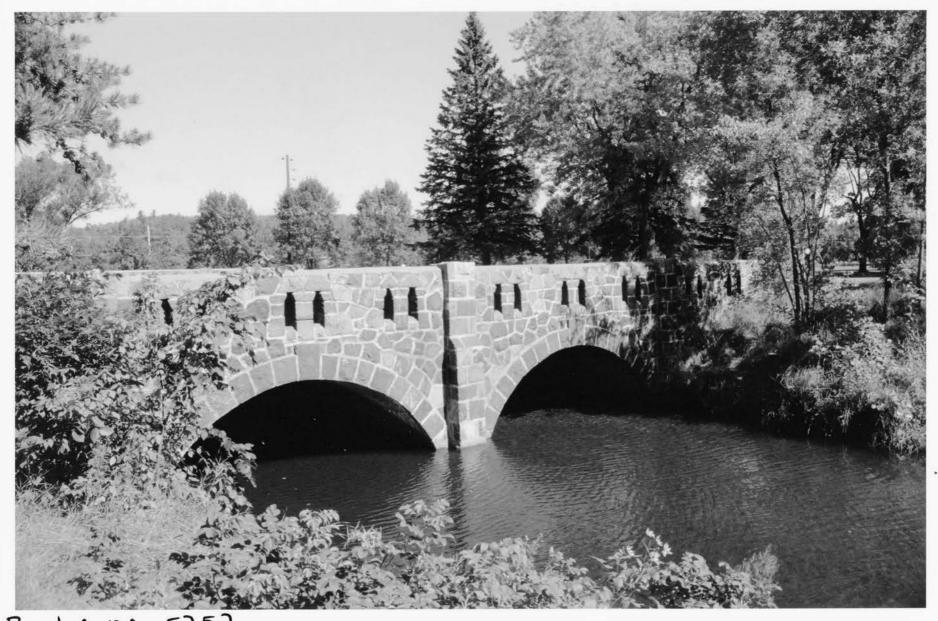
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Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2013

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY Bridge No. 5757 NAME:
MULTIPLE Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota MPS NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, St. Louis
DATE RECEIVED: 4/26/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/12/13 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000720
NOMINATOR: STATE
REASONS FOR REVIEW:
APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N
COMMENT WAIVER: N
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Bridge No. 5757

Name of Property
St. Louis County, Minnesota

County and State
Historic Iron and Steel Bridges in
Minnesota, 1873-1945

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Reference Number:

98000720

State:

Minnesota

County:

St. Louis

Resource Name:

Bridge No. 5757

Location:

Minnesota Highway 23 over Mission Creek

Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundary of the nominated property encompasses a rectangle measuring 117 feet north-south and 86 feet

east-west.

Comments:

When this bridge was included in the National Register in 1998 an incorrect verbal boundary description was given.

The above verbal boundary description is correct.

Zantan Howard

Barbara Mitchell Howard

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

Date

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Name of Property

St. Louis County, Minnesota

County and State

Historic Iron and Steel Bridges in

Minnesota, 1873-1945

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Name of Property:

Bridge No. 5757

City or Vicinity:

Duluth

County:

St. Louis County

Photographer:

Denis P. Gardner

Date Photographed:

March 8, 2013

Location of Original Digital Files: Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office, St. Paul

1 of 2 (MN_St. Louis County_Bridge No. 5757_0001) North elevation, view to southeast.

2 of 2 (MN_St. Louis County_Bridge No. 5757_0002)

West approach, view to east. North bridge railing at far left. South bridge railing buried beneath snow at far right. Note bridge width.





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Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

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REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION
PROPERTY Bridge No. 5757 NAME:
MULTIPLE Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota MPS NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, St. Louis
DATE RECEIVED: 5/29/98 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 6/09/98 DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/25/98 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 7/13/98 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000720
NOMINATOR: STATE
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APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL:
COMMENT WAIVER: N
ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 6726/98 DATE
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DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION
PROPERTY Bridge No. 5757 NAME:
MULTIPLE Iron and Steel Bridges in Minnesota MPS NAME:
STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, St. Louis
DATE RECEIVED: 4/26/13 DATE OF PENDING LIST: DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/12/13 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:
REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000720
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Minnesota Historical Society State Historic Preservation Office 345 Kellogg Blvd West, St. Paul, Minnesota 55102 651/259-3451

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Carol Shull, Keeper

National Register of Historic Places

FROM:

Denis P. Gardner

DATE:

April 16, 2013

NAME OF PROPERTY:

Bridge No. 5757

COUNTY AND STATE:

St. Louis County, Minnesota

SUBJECT:	National Register:
	Nomination
	Multiple Property Documentation Form
	Request for determination of eligibility
	Request for removal (Reference No.)
	Nomination resubmission
	Boundary increase/decrease (Reference No.98000720)
	Additional documentation (Reference No.)

DOCUMENTATION:

	Original National Register of Historic Places Registration Form
	Multiple Property Documentation Form
\boxtimes	Continuation Sheets
	Removal Documentation
\boxtimes	Photographs
\boxtimes	CD w/ image files
	Original USGS Map
	Sketch map(s)
	Correspondence
	Owner Objection
	The enclosed owner objections
	Do Do not Constitute a majority of property owners

STAFF COMMENTS:

This bridge was listed in the National Register in 1998. Its boundary description was recorded incorrectly at that time. The enclosed amendment (Continuation) form lists the correct boundary. This boundary alteration was reviewed by the Minnesota State Review Board.