



# FROZEN BALLAST AUGERING SYSTEM



Hulcher Services is offering frozen ballast augering to the railroads.

Located near Minneapolis, MN, the frozen ballast auger is a custom-designed excavator attachment, available for mobilization around the U.S. and Canada.



Sub-zero temperatures present a unique challenge when performing track reconstruction following derailments or other emergencies. Cold weather freezes a hopper car full of ballast into a solid block, making it impossible to drop the individual stones to the track. This slows down the process for repairing the tracks.

Any delay to track restoration interferes with your network's operations; when you're trying to open a stretch of main line or a major spur following a derailment, however, a delay can be extremely costly and disruptive.



Hulcher responds to this problem with the frozen ballast auger. The auger is designed to break up frozen ballast quickly and effectively so it can be dropped from hopper cars in even the coldest weather. This allows you to repair the tracks and get your trains running as soon as possible.

To learn more about the frozen ballast augering system, request pricing, or schedule for service, please contact our customer service center at 800-637-5471.