

American Canal Society Canal Structure Inventory

Structure BRASS POINT BRIDGE		Canal RIDEAU CANAL	HAER/CEHR Condition (GOOD) REPAIR
State/Province ONTARIO County LEEDS		Designer(s) RAILWAYS AND CANALS	
City/Town SEELEY'S BAY		Contractor/Builder HENRY SMITH & JOHN BURNS	
Street _____		Source of Material _____	
Associated Waterway RIDEAU CANAL (RIVER)		DATES OF CONSTRUCTION	
TOPOGRAPHIC MAP _____		Start 1887	Rebuilding 1902
UTM Coordinates _____		Completion 1887 (AUG)	Abandoned _____
History & Use in Service; Use Since Abandonment: LINKS BATTERSEA & SEELEY'S BAY - ORIGINALLY ENTIRELY WOODEN STRUCTURE, SAVE FOR FASTENINGS & HARDWARE - CROSSING NEARLY 500 FT OF WATER. - WHOLE WAS CONTRACTED OUT; SAVE FOR SWING SPAN OF 72 FEET WHICH WAS ERECTED BY RIDEAU CANAL STAFF. - IN 1902 CONSIDERABLE RESTRUCTURING TOOK PLACE BY DOMINION BRIDGE WHO REPLACED 40 FOOT WOODEN SPANS WITH 100 FT. STEEL SPANS. - ESSENTIALLY SAME BRIDGE REMAINS ALTHOUGH IN 1930 WOODEN DECKING AND JOISTS WERE REPLACED BY STEEL			
Description (Visible Remains at the site): - BASIC CHARACTER AS A LOW LEVEL CROSSING IS BASICALLY UNCHANGED. - IT IS THE ONLY REMAINING WIDE RIVER CROSSING OF THE EARLY TYPE ON THE WATERWAY UNASSOCIATED WITH A LOCK STATION. - IT REMAINS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMERCIAL ERA OF THE CANAL. - THREATENED WITH REPLACEMENT BY HIGH LEVEL BRIDGE IN 1974 - APPEARS TO HAVE AVOIDED THIS FATE AT PRESENT TIME.			
Other works or events associated with site:			
Present Property Owners: PARISS CANADA		Location of Deed Description:	
Bibliography (Published, unpublished mss, maps, photographs):			
Agencies, Individuals Interested in Preservation/Restoration:		National Register/CEHR, Other Recognition:	
Investigation made by: L. FRIED			Date: 13-5-79
Address:			
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A sketch map or illustration of the site should be included on the reverse.