

CANAL <b>HOCKING CANAL</b>		(FOR ACS USE)	
STATUS <b>Abandoned</b>		DATES OF CONSTRUCTION & CLOSURE <b>1836 - 1843. Abandoned 1894</b>	
LOCATION (ENDPOINTS OF CANAL) <b>Carroll, Fairfield County to Athens, Athens County, Ohio</b>		LENGTH CANAL <u>36<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u> SLACKWATER <u>19<math>\frac{1}{2}</math></u> TOTAL <u>56</u>	
LIFT LOCKS	NBR. <b>26</b>	DIMENSIONS LOCK CHAMBER <u>20 x 15</u> OVERALL <u>varied</u>	AQUEDUCTS NBR. <u>1</u> SECTION SIZE _____
		TUNNELS <b>0</b>	
DESCRIPTION: (Type of navigation, features of note (include USGS coordinates where useful); e.g., feeders (navigable & otherwise), locks other than above, type of locks, use of unusual material or methods of construction, present owner, present use & condition, etc.)			
<p>Towpath navigation, horse or mule power.          Constructed to the dimensions and standards of the Ohio &amp; Erie Canal; of which it was a branch.          In addition to 26 lift locks, there were 5 guard locks, 34 culverts, 8 feeder and slack water dams and one aqueduct, wooden, of 80 feet span over Monday Creek.          Cost upon completion in 1843: \$947,670.25</p>			
NAMES & ADDRESSES OF GROUPS CONCERNED WITH CANAL'S PRESERVATION/RESTORATION:			
None known			
REPORTER'S NAME & ADDRESS: <b>E.W.Trevorrow, Apt. 410, 36 So. Pleasant St., Oberlin, Ohio 44074</b>			DATE <b>July 2, 1973</b>
HISTORICAL SUMMARY: (Original aims of company, date of incorporation, prominent engineers, cause of closure, significant alterations to structure or route, height of traffic date, transfers of ownership, etc.)			
<p>The Hocking Canal was authorized in 1836 as a branch of the Ohio &amp; Erie Canal with which it made a junction at Carroll. It was intended to tap the coal and salt fields of the Hocking Valley and traffic in those bulk commodities was substantial. A privately built (1826) canal, 9 miles long, between Carroll and Lancaster, was taken over by the State of Ohio, when the Hocking Canal was authorized and enlarged to become part of the Hocking Canal. Partial abandonment of 7 miles of the canal below Chauncey to Athens, including the Athens terminal, took place in 1874. Final abandonment and lease of some canal property to the Hocking Valley Railroad took place in 1894.</p>			
BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY: (Published works relating to Canal)			
<p>Seventh Annual Report, 1843, Board of Public Works, Ohio. Description.          "The Hocking Canal". By F.W.Trevorrow, TOWPATHS, Vol. VII, p. 53, 1969,          "New Historical Atlas of Fairfield County". L.H.Everts, Phila., 1875, maps show line of canal and volume contains drawings of scenes along the canal.</p>			
UNPUBLISHED RECORDS, LOCATION OF PHOTOS, DRAWINGS & IMPORTANT PERIODICAL REFERENCES			
<p>Daughton Survey of 1891, survey plats of canal. Dept. of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio          Randon references occur in county histories.</p>			
NATIONAL REGISTER & HAER (HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD) STATUS:			
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