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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Schuylkill County Bridge #113

AND/OR COMMON

USE THIS COPY
FOR DUPLICATING

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East of Village of Rock, Township Route #452

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Rock

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Pennsylvania

VICINITY OF
CODE

COUNTY

Schuylkill

CODE
107

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Schuylkill County Edward H. Cook, Chairman, Board of Commissioners

STREET & NUMBER

Schuylkill County Courthouse, 2nd & Laurel Streets

CITY, TOWN

Pottsville

STATE

Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Schuylkill County Courthouse, Engineering Department

STREET & NUMBER

2nd and Laurel Streets

CITY, TOWN

Pottsville

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

4/8/76

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Schuylkill County Bridge #113 located in Washington Township east of the Village of Rock and carries township route #452. This covered bridge is constructed totally of wood except for its concrete piers and two plate (1' x 3' x 4') steel girders which were added recently for safety purposes. The bridge is a Burr arch type and is 39' long, 13'5" wide and approximately 11' high with an under-clearance of 8'6".

The bridge spans Lower Little Swatara Creek and serves a rural community. The nearest state road is Route 895 which runs through the Village of Rock.

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

- PREHISTORIC
- 1400-1499
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1899
- 1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

prior to 1880

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

At one time there were 51 covered bridges in Schuylkill County, today only two remain, Bridge #113 and #114 both located in Washington Township and both span Lower Little Swatara Creek. This rural area is basically agricultural today as it was at the time the bridge was constructed although at one time the area saw much activity during the coal boom era. The nearest town of Rock was a post-office village and a station on the Sunbury Branch of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. During the late 1800's there were many small mines along the Lower Little Swatara. This bridge no doubt served in transportation of local coal and farm produce to Rock and then on to Philadelphia on the railroad.

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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W.W. Munsell and Company, History of Schuylkill County, Pa.
New York, 1881.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

A 18 | 390320 | 4488860
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Helene Monices, Funding Specialist / Susan Zacher, Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

ORGANIZATION

Technical Assistance Office

STREET & NUMBER

Schuylkill County Courthouse, 2nd & Laurel Streets

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Pottsville

STATE

Pennsylvania 17901

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

William J. Wewer

TITLE WILLIAM J. WEWER, Executive Director
Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

DATE 6/13/77

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE

ATTEST:

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

