

Part of  
Covered Bridges of Columbia and Montour  
Counties TR

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

Covered Bridges of Columbia & Montour Counties

CONTINUATION SHEET

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YEAR	QUEENPOST	BURR	KINGPOST	WARREN
1856	Wagner (56'5") 38-19-15			
c1860	Snyder (60'2") 38-19-14			
1865		Parr's Mill (84'3") 38-19-29		
1870		Riegel (107'3") 38-19-29		
1871		Welles Hess (126') 38-19-13		
1875		J. Ness (105'2") 38-19-10		
		Patterson (81'8") 38-19-26		
	L.Knoebel (40') 38-19-39, 38-49-13			
1876	Jud Christie 55'10" 38-19-25			S.Eckman 65'2" 38-19-08
				Krickbaum 62'2" 38-19-32 38-49-12
1880			Richards (68'8") 38-19-01, 38-49-07	

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

Allen, Richard, Covered Bridges of Middle Atlantic States  
 Brattleboro, Va: Stepehn Greene Press, 1959, p. 61-72.  
Columbia and Montour Historic Transportation Study, June 1976. Columbia-  
Montour Joint Planning Commission.  
The Covered Bridges of Columbia County, Pa., Columbia County Historical  
Society, December 1974.

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

\* .16 3 bridges nominated with Northumberland Co.

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.88 Total

QUADRANGLE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING	B	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Boundaries for all bridges are calculated by adding 20' to each length and 10' to each width (15' used when width not known) to include abutments.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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Columbia County Planning Commission / PHMC

STREET & NUMBER  
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CITY OR TOWN  
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DATE  
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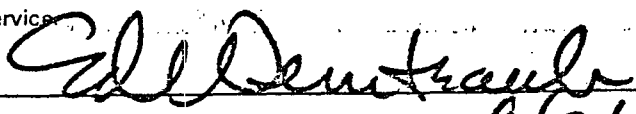
STATE  
Pennsylvania 17815/17120

**12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL  STATE  LOCAL

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  


TITLE Ed Weintraub, Director  
Office of Historic Preservation

DATE 9/24/79

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

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

38-19-29

Name: Parr's Mill Covered Bridge

Location: T371 Between Franklin & Cleveland Townships

UTM: Zone 18 N 4529190 E 375940

Owner: Columbia County

Stream: North Branch Roaring Creek

Truss Type: Burr

Builder: F.L. Shuman

Year: 1865

Length: 84 ft 3 in.

Width: 12 ft 2 in

Clearance: 11 ft

Load: 6 tons

**Distinguishing Features:**

Parr's Mill Covered Bridge is 84.25 feet long, with a roadway width of 12.2 feet, and clearance of 11 feet. It is of a Burr Truss Arch having four diagonal braces on each side of the central king post, and an arch on each side of each truss system. It is one of the few bridges covered with German siding.

The roof has tarred metal panels over the wooden ribbing and rafters.

The portals are covered with a mixture of German siding and the more common overlapping siding. The shape of the arch is horizontal on top and downward slanting at the corners.

The western side wall is covered with German siding, while the eastern side wall is covered with vertical planks with small spaces between the planks.

The floor consists of diagonal boards with two runways on top. No steel reinforcements have been added to the deck or undergirding.

Much of the original stone and mortar abutments remain.

Condition: Good

38-19-29

# 10 Name: Parr's Mill Covered Bridge  
Location: North Branch Roaring Creek between Franklin and Cleveland Townships  
on Twp. Rt. 371 off L.R. 19004 and east of Pa. Rt. 487 at Parr's Mill,  
south of Catawissa.

UTM: 18 N 4529190 E 375940 Acreage: .07  
Owner: Columbia County

Stream: North Branch Roaring Creek  
Truss Type: Burr Truss-Arch  
Builder: F. L. Shuman  
Year: 1865

End Post to	Road Surface:
End Post Length: 84 feet, 3 inches	Width: 12 feet, 2 inches
Clearance: 11 feet	Load: 6 tons (county records)

#### Distinguishing

Features: Burr Truss-Arch having four diagonal braces on each side of the  
central king post and an arch on each side of each truss system.

One of few bridges covered with German siding.

The portals are covered with a mixture of German siding, and the more  
common overlapping siding.

Condition: Excellent overall condition.

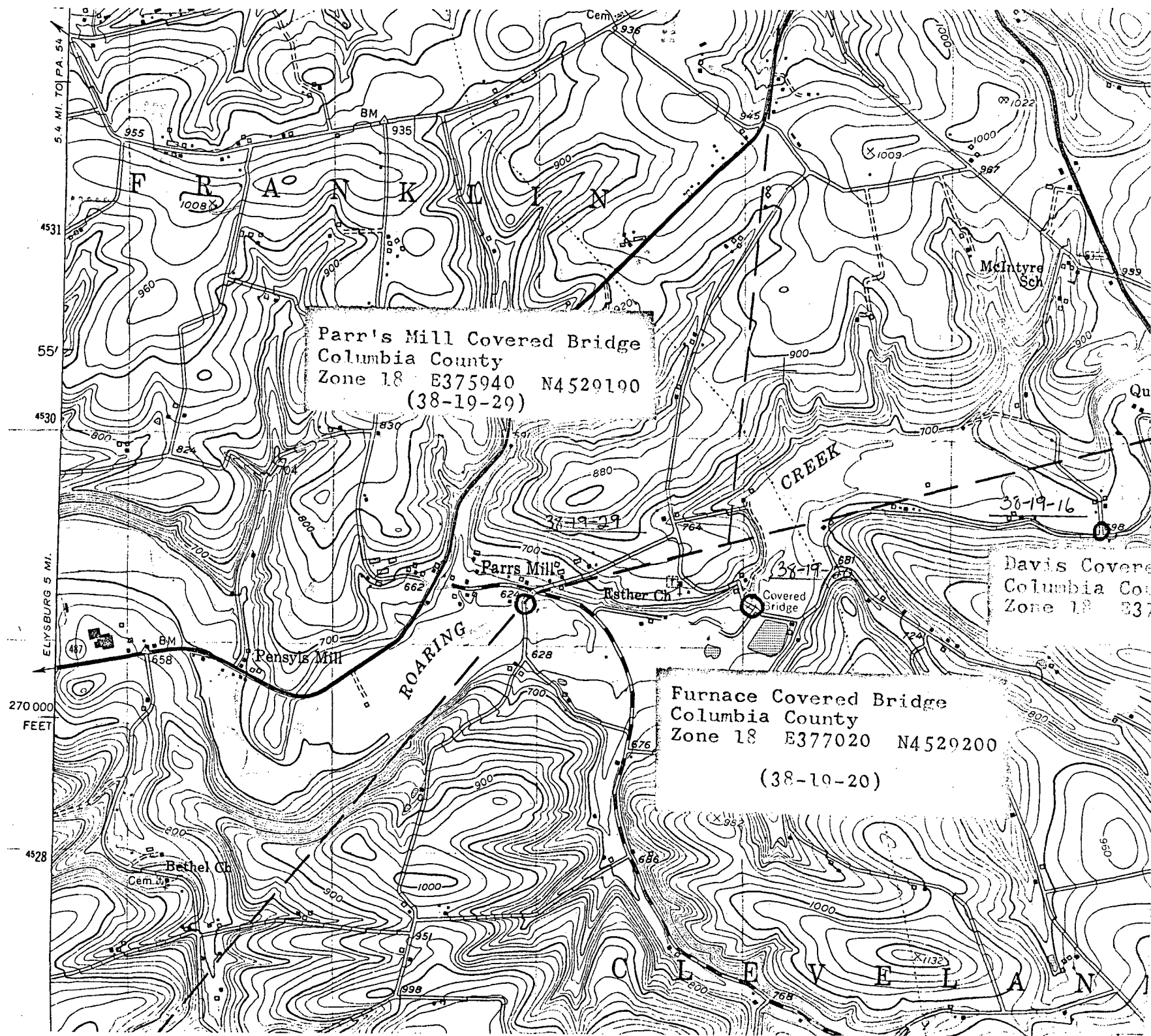
Minor repair work needed on ribbing of roof.

Siding on both portals needs repair.

Both side wall coverings are in excellent condition.

No steel reinforcements have been added to the undergirding.

Much of the original stone and mortar abutments remain.



5.4 MI. TO PA. 54

4531

55'

4530

ELYSBURG 5 MI.

270000  
FEET

4528

Parr's Mill Covered Bridge  
Columbia County  
Zone 18 E375940 N4520100  
(38-19-29)

McIntyre Sch

CREEK

Davis Covered  
Columbia Co  
Zone 18 E37

ROARING

Furnace Covered Bridge  
Columbia County  
Zone 18 E377020 N4529200  
(38-10-20)

CLEVELAND