

American Canal Society Canal Structure Inventory

Structure BLUCKHOUSE		Canal RIDEAU CANAL	HAER/CEIR Condition GOOD REPAIR
State/Province ONTARIO County LEEDS		Designer(s) LIEUT COL. JOHN BY R.E.	
City/Town MERRICKVILLE		Contractor/Builder ?	
Street _____		Source of Material ROCK EXCAVATION; TIMBER	
Associated Waterway RIDEAU CANAL (RIVER)		DATES OF CONSTRUCTION	
TOPOGRAPHIC MAP _____		Start 1832 (IN PROGRESS) Rebuilding _____	
UTM Coordinates _____		Completion _____ Abandoned _____	
History & Use in Service; Use Since Abandonment:			
<p>DEFENSIVE: COMMANDS LOCKS AND BRIDGE OVER CANAL AT MERRICKVILLE - LARGEST DEFENSIVE STRUCTURE ON WATERWAY.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CONSTRUCTED (CIRCA 1832). - SERVED AT ONE POINT AS LOCKMASTER'S HOUSE. - REPAIR & RESTORATION CARRIED OUT BY (D.O.T) in 1960'S. - PRESENTLY LEASED BY D.O.T. (TRANSPORT) TO LOCAL HISTORICAL GROUP AS A MUSEUM. 			
Description (Visible Remains at the site):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LOWER SECTION: WALLS 4 FT THICK OF STONE. - UPPER SECTION: WALLS OF SQUARED TIMBER, ORIGINALLY TIN COVERED, - NOW APPEARS TO BE CEDAR SHAKES. - 50 FT SQUARE, 18 INCH OVERHANG. - ACCESS TO UPPER LEVEL BY EXTERIOR STAIRWAY VENTILATION SLITS LOWER SECTION REPLACED BY WINDOWS 			
Other works or events associated with site:			
3 REMOVED LOCKS.			
Present Property Owners:		Location of Deed Description:	
PARKS CANADA			
Bibliography (Published, unpublished mss, maps, photographs):			
<p>THE ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE OF THE RIDEAU CORRIDOR: BY BARBARA A. HUMPHREY. FROM CANADIAN HISTORIC SITES: OCCASIONAL PAPERS IN ARCHAEOLOGY AND HISTORY No. 10 NATIONAL HISTORIC PARKS AND SITES BRANCH, PARKS CANADA, I.A.N.A OTTAWA 1974 P11-71</p>			
Agencies, Individuals Interested in Preservation/Restoration:		National Register/CHHR, Other Recognition:	
Investigation made by: L. FRIEND			Date:
Address:			13-5-74
RETURN TO:			

A sketch map or illustration of the site should be included on the reverse.