

Structure (Tunnelton Tunnel)		Canal Western Div., PA Canal	HAER/CEHR Condition ?
State/Province <u>Pennsylvania</u> County <u>CAMBRIA</u>		Designer(s)	
City/Town <u>Tunnelton</u>		Contractor/Builder	
Street _____		Source of Material	
Associated Waterway <u>Connemaugh River</u>		DATES OF CONSTRUCTION	
TOPOGRAPHIC MAP <u>BLAIRSVILLE</u>		Start _____	Rebuilding _____
UTM Coordinates <u>17.638600.4480050 ?</u>		Completion <u>1830</u>	Abandoned _____
<p>History & Use in Service; Use Since Abandonment: Third tunnel constructed in the United States. 850 feet in length, it was built to avoid following the Conemaugh River on a long meandering loop. Exit from the west end of the tunnel was directly onto a stone aqueduct crossing the river. On the east portal, boats entered the tunnel from slackwater on the river, formed by a low dam downstream.</p>			
<p>Description (Visible Remains at the site): The tunnel parallels an old railroad tunnel a few hundred yards away. Both tunnels have been plugged somewhere inside by the Corps of Engineers (who have built a flood-control dam below the tunnel mouths on one side) to prevent any flood waters from making a "short cut" through the tunnels.</p>			
<p>Other works or events associated with site:</p>			
Present Property Owners:		Location of Deed Description:	
<p>Bibliography (Published, unpublished mss, maps, photographs): PA Canal Society, <u>Canal Currents</u> #18 (Fall 1971): photo of Tunnelton Aqueduct & west tunnel portal.</p>			
Agencies, Individuals Interested in Preservation/Restoration:		National Register/CEHR, Other Recognition:	
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A sketch map or illustration of the site should be included on the reverse.