

CANAL WALHONDING CANAL		(FOR ACS USE) # 2	
STATUS Abandoned		DATES OF CONSTRUCTION & CLOSURE 1836-1841, abandoned 1896	
LOCATION (ENDPOINTS OF CANAL) Roscoe, Coshocton County, Ohio to Rochester		LENGTH CANAL 23 SLACKWATER 1½ TOTAL 24½	
LIFT LOCKS	NBR. 11	DIMENSIONS LOCK CHAMBER 90 x 15	AQUEDUCTS NBR. 0
TUNNELS 0			
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.] Navigation: Horse or mule drawn boats, Locks: 2 guard locks in addition to 11 lift locks. Feeder dams: One 6 miles above the junction with the Ohio & Erie Canal at Roscoe, in the Walhonding River; one at the head of the canal in the Mohican River. The canal was entered through a guard lock at each dam. Locks: Of dressed stone, same size as on the Ohio & Erie Canal. Present status: much of the canal lands is now in private hands. The triple locks at Roscoe are well preserved and readily accessible from a large parking lot provided and maintained by the Roscoe Village Foundation. Original survey made by Wm. H. Price, Resident Engineer. The canal descended 89'-10" from origin to its junction with the Ohio & Erie Canal at Roscoe.			
NAMES & ADDRESSES OF GROUPS CONCERNED WITH CANAL'S PRESERVATION/RESTORATION: Roscoe Village and the three locks are restored and preserved by the Roscoe Village Foundation.			
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HISTORICAL SUMMARY: (Original aims of company, date of incorporation, prominent engineers, cause of closure, significant alterations to structure or route, height of traffic dams, transfers of ownership, etc.) The Walhonding Canal was authorized in 1836 by the Ohio Legislature, and construction began in the same year. It was intended as an extension of the Ohio & Erie Canal, reaching into the valleys of the Walhonding and Mohican rivers, with the ultimate objective of extending into the Vernon River and Killbuck Creek valleys, which latter extensions were never carried out. Traffic on the Walhonding Canal never amounted to much, some farm produce being the chief cargoes. The line of the canal can be followed by taking U.S.36 northwest from Roscoe to Nellie, Ohio 715 to Walhonding and Ohio 206 north. The town of Rochester, original terminus of the canal, no longer exists.			
BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY: (Published works relating to Canal) Fifth Annual Report, 1841, Board of Public Works, Ohio, description. "The Walhonding Canal". F.W.Trevorrow, Description, maps. Towpaths, Vol. Vi, No. 4, P. 37-43, 1968.			
UNPUBLISHED RECORDS, LOCATION OF PHOTOS, DRAWINGS & IMPORTANT PERIODICAL REFERENCES Ohio Canal Commission Survey of 1891, 12 sheets, detailed survey maps.			
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