

what **Historical Services Unit** does

- Research and Write History Reports
- Determine National Register Eligibility
- Determine Historic Boundaries
- Determine Effects to Historic Properties
- Mitigate Adverse Effects to Historic Properties
- Complete Historic Documentations for Specific Historic Properties
- Historic Turnpike Research and Analysis
- Coordinate with Federal, State, and Local Resource Agencies
- Conduct Public Workshops for Specific Bridge and Highway Projects

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dunloup creek
bridge
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Dunloup Creek Bridge is located in Mount Hope, Fayette County along WV Route 61 Alternate (Virginia Avenue) spanning Dunloup Creek. The structure consists of a simple span wide flange beam and is supported by concrete abutments. The overall length is 55 feet 8 inches and the deck width is 38 feet. The bridge features a sidewalk on the upstream side and open face parapets. It was built in 1945 by an unknown contractor. The bridge is structurally deficient, rated as poor, and posted for weight limits.

Dunloup Creek Bridge is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its significance with World War II and coal production in southern West Virginia. The bridge was built using funding provided by the Department of Defense during World War II. It is likely the bridge was constructed to provide access to coal company offices in Mount Hope, as well as transportation of coal to factories and power plants. Coal was in high demand during the 1940s as part of the war effort. The bridge is scheduled for replacement in 2018.

Dunloup Creek Bridge History



Location: Along WV Route 61 Alternate

Type: Simple Span Wide Flange Beam with Concrete Abutments

Year constructed: 1945

Length: 55 feet, 8 inches

Contractor: Contractor is unknown