

what Historical Services Unit does

- Research and Write Historic 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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little fonzo
bridge
ritchie county

Little Fonzo Bridge is a simple span steel riveted pony truss supported by cut stone abutments and wingwalls. The deck is timber and there is a metal railing. It was built in 1908 by York Bridge Company and has a posted weight limit of 3 tons. The bridge is 57 feet long and 13 feet wide. The average daily traffic is 40 vehicles. The bridge was renovated in 1962 and 1977 in which main members were replaced.

Little Fonzo History

The Warren pony truss is an early example of the type in West Virginia and is an uncommon design for the nationally recognized firm, the York Bridge Company, which typically constructed Pratt trusses. This bridge is an example of the earliest period of use and evolution of this type. Although this bridge has undergone alterations, it still retains the historic integrity necessary to convey its engineering significance and therefore is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C. Construction of the new bridge is scheduled for 2014.

Location: County Route 47/11 in Ritchie County. It is .03 miles east of CR 28/8
Type: Simple Span Steel Riveted Pony Truss
Length: 54'
Year constructed: 1908
Contractor: York Bridge Company