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The Lombard Street Bridge, which formerly carried Lombard Street over the Jones Falls stream in Baltimore City, is located over Gwynns Falls between Dickey Mill to the west and Wetheredsville Road on the east.

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The Lombard Street Bridge was moved because it could no longer handle the heavy volume of traffic on Lombard Street, one of the principal east-west streets in Baltimore. Moving the bridge was the only way to save the structure from total demolition. Because of the unique character of this particular bridge, the City of Baltimore, the State of Maryland, the owners of the Dickey Mill, the Smithsonian Institution, the Commission for Historical and Architectural Preservation, and the Dickeyville citizens have joined forces to secure its future. The new site of the Lombard Street Bridge consists of a 19th

The new site of the Lombard Street Bridge consists of a 19th century industrial complex constructed on a level, open space bounded on the west by a steep grade, on the east by the Gwynns Falls, and beyond the stream by Wetheredsville Road. The Mill is not visible to the residential section of Dickeyville, therefore the bridge is not visible to the residents of Dickeyville. The Mill area has, since the 18th century, been industrial.

Since hurricane Agnes no access has existed to the Mill.

Without access to the Mill any propsed adaptive use of the structure cannot be economically viable. The Mill is the key factor in the historic justification for the existence of Dickeyville.

The erection of the Lombard Street Bridge over Gwynns Falls at the Dickey Mill solves two preservation problems by providing a viable adaptive use for two important historic properties. Adaptive use is essential to the viability of preservation as a whole.

Robert Vogel, Chairman, Department of Science and Technology, The National Museum of History and Technology, The Smithsonian Institution, agreed to be a consultant on the recrection.



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