UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

#### NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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#### SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC DINGLETON HILL COVERED BRIDGE

AND/OR COMMON

CORNISH MILLS BRIDGE

## **2** LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

One mile east of NH 12A; Town House Road & Root Hill Road \_\_NOTFOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN		CONGRESSIONAL	DISTRICT
Cornish hull	VICINITY OF	Second	
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
New Hampshire	33	Sullivan	019 -

## **3** CLASSIFICATION

STREET & NUMBER

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESE	INTUSE
DISTRICT	XPUBLIC		AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
BUILDING(S)		UNOCCUPIED	COMMERCIAL	РАПК
X_structure	вотн	WORK IN PROGRESS	EDUCATIONAL	PRIVATE RESIDENCE
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	X-YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	_XTRANSPORTATION
		NO	MILITARY	OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PRO	OPERTY				
NAME				•	4
<u>Town of Cornish</u>					
STREET & NUMBER					
Selectmen's Office					
CITY, TOWN				STATE	
Cornish, Flat		VICINITY OF	New Hampshire	03746	
<b>5 LOCATION OF</b>	LEGAL DESCR	IPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.	Sullivan County	Registry of	Deeds		

	PO Box 448	
CITY, TOWN		STATE
•	Newport,	New Hampshire 03773
REPRESENT	ATION IN EXISTIN	G SURVEYS
TITLE		
	See continuation	sheet #1
DATE		
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DEPOSITORY FOR		
SURVEY RECORDS		
		STATE



CON	DITION	CHECK ONE	CHECK (	DNE
EXCELLENT	DETERIORATED	XUNALTERED	XORIGINAL	SITE
X_good	RUINS	ALTERED	MOVED	DATE
FAIR	UNEXPOSED			

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dingleton Hill Covered Bridge (Cornish Mills Bridge) is an excellent example of a multiple Kingpost Truss type all wood covered bridge. It consists of a single span with an exterior length of 81 feet, and exterior width of 16 1/2 feet; the deck (roadway) is 79 feet long and 14 1/2 feet wide.

The original dry-laid stone abutment remains at the south end of the bridge; a similar abutment at the north end was replaced with concrete in 1954.

The truss contains twenty-two panels and twenty-three posts on each side. The panel posts and top and bottom chords are fastened together with iron bolts. The lower half of the exterior sides of the trusses is sheathed up with plain butted vertical boards (some of which are missing); the upper portion of the trusses is exposed.

The portals are of the segmental/triangular style, sheathed with plain butted vertical boards; the gabled roof (of moderately-steep pitch) is covered with corrugated sheet metal, replacing earlier wooden shingles.

## **8. SIGNIFICANCE**

SPECIFIC DAT	<sup>ES</sup> 1882 - 1883	BUILDER/ARCH	ITECT	
<b>X</b> 1800-1899 _1900-	COMMERCE COMMUNICATIONS	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT INDUSTRY INVENTION	PHILOSOPHY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	LTRANSPORTATION OTHER (SPECIFY)
_1700-1799	ART	ENGINEERING	MUSIC	THEATER
_1600-1699	ARCHITECTURE	EDUCATION	MILITARY	_SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
_1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE
_1400-1499	ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	CONSERVATION	LAW	SCIENCE
PREHISTORIC	ARCHEULUGY-PREHISTORIC	COMMUNITY PLANNING	_LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	RELIGION
PERIOD	AF	EAS OF SIGNIFICANCE CH	ECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Excellent example of multiple Kingpost Truss type Covered Bridge.

Designed and built by James Tasker (1826-1903) of Cornish, New Hampshire. Tasker was paid \$812 in February, [803] after the bridge had been completed the previous year. (Cornish Records, 1883)

The National Society for the Preservation of Covered Bridges, World Guide to Covered Bridges number for the Dingleton Hill Covered Bridge is 29-10-02; New Hampshire Department of Public Works and Highways number is 080/095, and the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development Survey of Bridges number is 22.

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# **10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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<b>11</b> FORM PREPARED	BY			
NAME / TITLE				
John H. Dryfhout			1974	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
ORGANIZATION			DATE	
STREET & NUMBER			TELEPH	IONE
Rural Route 2 (Corni	sh, New Hampshire)			
CITY OR TOWN			STATE	
Windsor		Vern	nont 05089	
<b>12 STATE HISTORIC</b>	PRESERVATIO	N OFFICE	<b>R</b> CERTIFIC	ATION
THE EVAL	UATED SIGNIFICANCE OF	THIS PROPERT	Y WITHIN THE STAT	E IS:
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As the designated State Historic P				

hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the



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#### 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS:

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New Hampshire's Historic Preservation Plan 1970, x State State of New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development Box 856, State House Annex Concord, New Hampshire 03301, 33