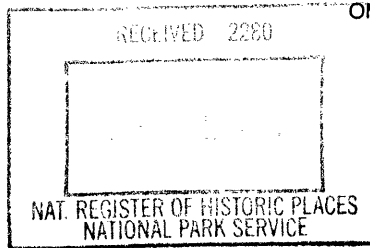


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National Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form



This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Clifton Road Culvert

other names/site number BO-50

2. Location

street & number West side of Clifton Rd, .6 mi. N of S.R. 52  not for publication

city or town Clifton  vicinity

state Kentucky code KY county Boyle code 021 zip code 40422

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan David L. Morgan, SHPO and Executive Director 10-1-97  
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

Kentucky Heritage Council/State Historic Preservation Office

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of commenting official/Title Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.  See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register  See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Patrick W. Andrews 11/21/97

Clifton Road Culvert (BO-50)  
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY  
County and State

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**  
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
		buildings
		sites
1	0	structures
		objects
1	0	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

**Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register**

Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY 0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

TRANSPORTATION/road-related

**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

VACANT/NOT IN USE

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Other: Stone culvert

**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation \_\_\_\_\_  
walls Stone \_\_\_\_\_  
roof \_\_\_\_\_  
other \_\_\_\_\_

**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheet

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or grave.
D a cemetery.
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F a commemorative property.
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ENGINEERING

Period of Significance

c. 1821-1865

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

See Continuation Sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography See Continuation Sheet

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

Clifton Road Culvert (BO-50)  
Name of Property

Boyle County, KY  
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one (1) acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

Bryantsville Quadrant

1	16	77013	3210	41168	400
	Zone	Easting	Northing		
2					

3			
	Zone	Easting	Northing
4			

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

See Continuation Sheet

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Amanda Bradley, Historian

organization Burry & Amos, Inc. (Heart of Danville) date March 31, 1997

street & number 926 Main Street telephone (502) 633-5530

city or town Shelbyville state KY zip code 40065

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Fredrick and Louise Dearborn

street & number 495 Clifton Road telephone N/A

city or town Danville state KY zip code 40422

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Multiple Property Listing

Clifton Road Culvert (BO-50)

### 7. Description

The nominated structure is a stone masonry bridge (BO-50) spanning an unnamed drainage that falls to the Dix River in southern Boyle County. The structure was part of the original alignment of the Clifton Road, a nineteenth century route that led through the African-American community of Clifton and down to a ferry crossing of the Dix River. This small section of the original road was abandoned in the mid-twentieth century and replaced by an alignment with lower, wider grade, located immediately east. To the west of the old alignment is an historic farm with dry-laid rock fence standing between the old road bed and farm fields.

The original alignment of the Clifton Road curved as it traversed a steep drainage to the Dix River. The remaining historic alignment is approximately 60 feet long, eight feet wide, and is covered with grass. The alignment is supported across the drainage by a dry-laid limestone culvert. The culvert extends from the base of the drainage to the road, a depth of approximately ten feet. The rock construction, dry laid, or ledge quarries rock, suggests a construction date to the mid-nineteenth century (Murray-Wooley and Raitz, 1992: 88). Random-width courses of area limestone are held together by tie rocks and infilled with spalls. The culvert opening is an unusual pointed arch, approximately six feet high and three feet wide. Murray-Wooley and Raitz describe the structure as a "turnpike bridge" and report that most pike bridges have round arches. They identified the resource as important in the history of rock construction in the Bluegrass (See Figure 1, 1992).

Although the alignment and culvert were abandoned in the early-twentieth century, they remain in excellent condition, with no significant deterioration to the culvert and with the road alignment remaining clear. The surrounding historic landscape contains trees, cliff, and falling drainage above the Dix River to the east and agricultural land to the west.

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### *Rock Fences of the Bluegrass*



Fig. 4.2 TURNPIKE BRIDGE. An uncommon pointed arch bridge spans a small run of Dix River in Boyle County. Most pike bridges have round arches.

Figure 1. Photo and description of the Clifton Road culvert from Murray-Wooley and Raitz' Rock Fences of the Bluegrass (ibid).

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY

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Clifton Road Culvert (BO-50)

## 8. Statement of Significance

The Clifton Road Culvert (BO-50) is located on the west side of the existing Clifton Road along the Dix River in eastern Boyle County. The culvert is nominated as part of the Multiple Property Listing "Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, Kentucky" within the historic context "Transportation in Boyle County, 1774-1917." The Clifton Road Culvert meets National Register of Historic Places Criterion C and is significant on a regional level as a well-built and preserved example of a dry-laid stone masonry culvert. The structure is a notable and evidently rare variation of dry-masonry culvert construction according to regional rock masonry construction historian Carolyn Murray-Wooley and Geographer, Karl Raitz \* (Murray-Wooley and Raitz, 1992: 88). The period of significance relates to the period of construction, sometime in the mid-nineteenth century. Due to its excellent integrity of design, materials, workmanship, feeling and location, the structure conveys important information about the methods of dry-laid limestone construction in the rural nineteenth-century Bluegrass region and meets registration requirements including integrity of location, materials, workmanship, design and association with the transportation corridor, the abandoned road bed.

(\*Carolyn Murray-Wooley and Karl Raitz developed a comprehensive context for the development and styles of rock masonry construction throughout the Bluegrass in their 1992 Rock Fences of the Bluegrass (The University Press of Kentucky; Lexington).

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## 9. Bibliography:

Murray-Woltz, Carolyn and Karl Raitz. Rock Fences of the Bluegrass. The University Press of Kentucky: Lexington, 1992.

Worsham, Gibson. Kentucky Historic Inventory Survey Form, 1990.

\_\_\_\_\_. "Boyle County Survey Summary Report," prepared for The Boyle County Landmark Trust and The Kentucky Heritage Council, 30 September, 1991.

## 10. Geographical Data:

### Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated structure, the Clifton Road Culvert, spans an unnamed drainage of the Dix River along an original alignment of the Clifton Turnpike Road. Currently privately owned, the structure is identified on Parcel 58 of Property Identification Tax Map 50, in the Boyle County Property Valuation Administration Office in Danville, Kentucky. The map is represented by a 1" = 600' scale.

### Boundary Justification

The boundary of the nominated structure includes the stone culvert and the associated abandoned alignment of the Clifton Road as these are the only historic features remaining in association with the property.



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## PHOTOGRAPHS

Clifton Road Culvert, Boyle County, KY

Photos By: Amanda Bradley  
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926 Main Street  
Shelbyville, KY 40065

Date: March, 1997

Detail of keystone arch culvert, facing southwest  
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View of the culvert and old Clifton roadbed, fronted a drainage and surrounded with forestation with historic stock farm in background, facing southwest  
2 of 3

Detail of keystone arch, facing southwest  
3 of 3

Boyle County Tax Map 50

Parcel 58

60-50/61 Road Culvert

Boyle County, KY

12/2000

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