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38-05-18 **Name:** CUPPERTS OR NEW PARIS COVERED BRIDGE

Location: 1 mile north of New Paris, Napier Township

UTM: Zone 17 **N** 4444460 **E** 701150 **Acreage:**

Owner: Alfred Mangus and Charles Cuppert

Both: R. D. #1, New Paris, Pa.

Stream: Dunnings Creek

Truss Type:

Builder: Burr

Year:

End Post to

End Post Length: 60'

Clearance:

Road Surface

Width: 12'

Load: Closed to traffic

Distinguishing

Features:

This unusual bridge has a low burr truss with truss level side walls.
The upper trussing is tied by horizontal rods the length of the bridge.

Condition:

Poor



*Bedford County Covered Bridges
Thematic Resources*

Covered Bridges of Bedford County

Bedford County

PD: 1979

PC: Bedford County Survey

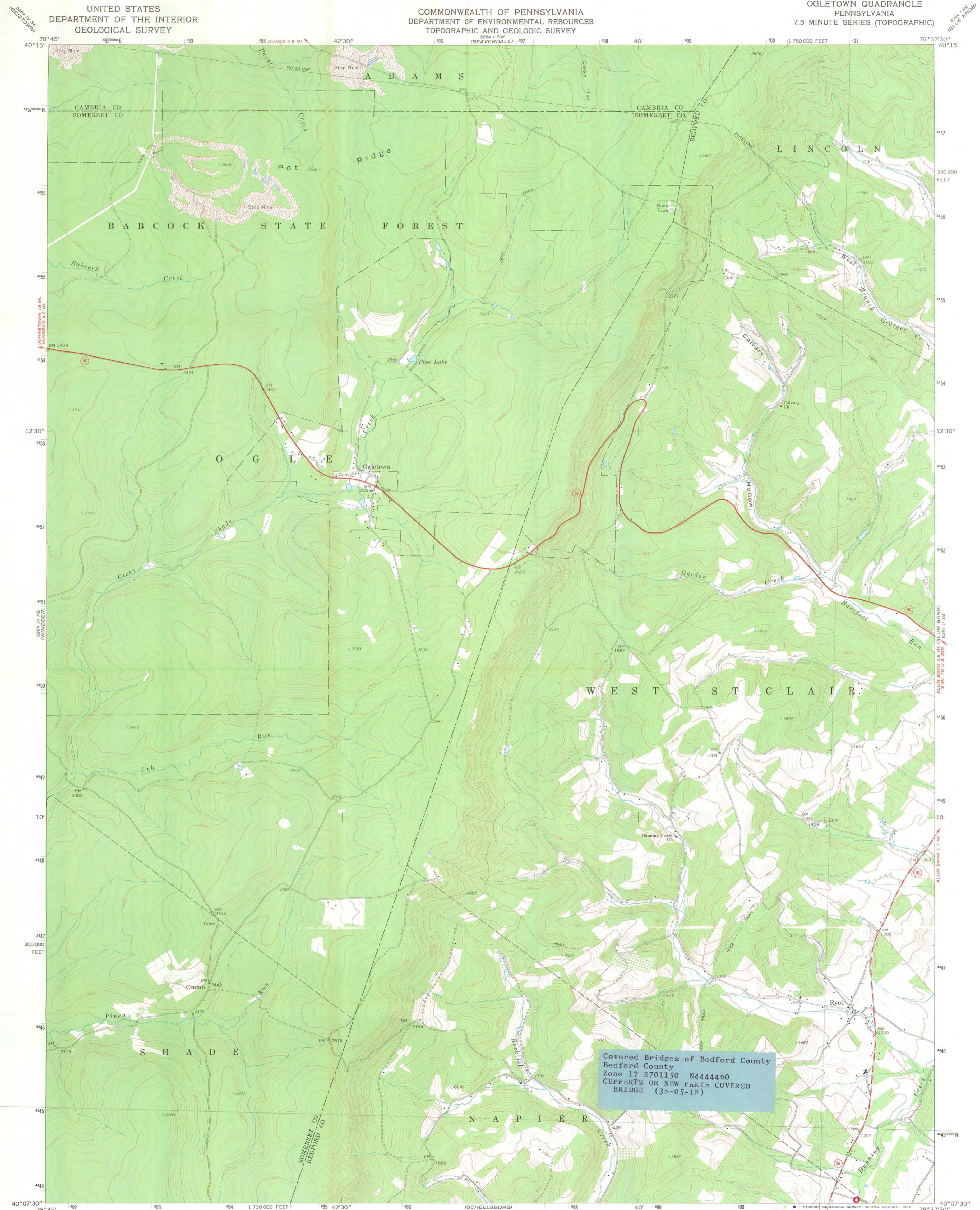
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Bridge 38-05-18

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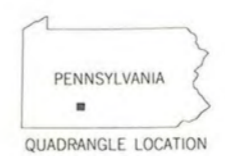
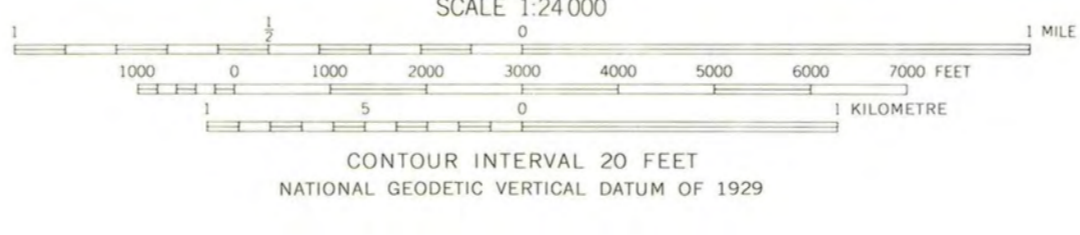
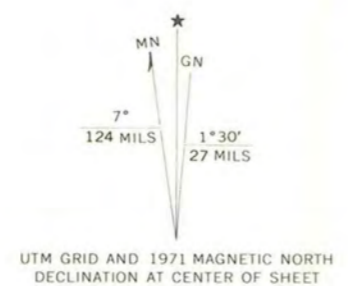
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Bedford County
Zone 17 E701150 N4444400
CUPPERTS OR NEW FARMS COVERED
BRIDGE (38-05-18)

Maped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1966, 1967, and 1969. Field checked 1971
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone
1000-metre Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 17, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

- Primary highway, hard surface
- Secondary highway, hard surface
- Interstate Route
- U. S. Route
- State Route
- Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
- Unimproved road

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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2019

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County and State
Bedford County Covered Bridges TR
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

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The Cuppett's Covered Bridge, located in Napier Township, Bedford County was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1980 (NR Reference # 80003423), under the Multiple Property Listing "Bedford County Covered Bridges Thematic Resources." At that time, Cuppett's Covered Bridge was incorrectly misnamed as both "Cuppert's Covered Bridge" and as the "New Paris Covered Bridge". The bridge was built in 1882 by members of the Cuppett family, who lived next to the bridge site. "Cuppert" is an incorrect spelling of the family name and potentially originates from a handwriting error at the time of the 1980 National Register nomination.

Additionally, while the bridge is located near the Bedford County village of New Paris, it is not and was not identified or known by its location place name.

This Additional Documentation aims to correct a technical error in the earlier nomination regarding the historic, and preferred, name. This addendum also includes contemporary photographs of the bridge, highlighting its unique design and engineering, as well. Though the location has not changed, a refreshed map is also being submitted.

As noted in the 1980 "Bedford County Covered Bridges Thematic Resources" documentation, the Cuppett's Covered Bridge, "...is also an unusual bridge. Its extremely low burr arch is protected by low curving vertical siding leaving the bridge sidewalls open. Horizontal beams tie the end post and panel posts." The unique design of Cuppett's Covered Bridge set the bridge apart from the fifteen other Bedford County Covered Bridges that existed and were surveyed at that time.

In the years following listing in the National Register, Cuppett family members restored and maintained the historic bridge by repairing and replacing damaged and worn exterior wood cladding, and by repointing the original stone bridge abutments. No structural reinforcements, like steel beams, has been added to the structure of the bridge.

In 2015, the bridge was surveyed by the environmental and engineering firm AECOM as part of the Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office's *Disaster Planning for Historic Properties Initiative*. At that time, AECOM, surveyed, mapped, and photographed the bridge on a "Historic Resource Natural Hazard Vulnerability Survey Form" (PA SHPO key# 050723) Though the condition of the bridge in 1980 was noted as "poor," the physical condition of the bridge in 2015 was noted as "Excellent." The PA SHPO concurred with those findings.

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Photo 1: Cuppett's Covered Bridge looking SW. Photo by AECOM, on file at PA SHPO



Photo 2: Cuppett's Covered Bridge looking W. Photo by AECOM, on file at PA SHPO

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Photo 3: Cuppett's Covered Bridge looking NW. Photo by AECOM, on file at PA SHPO



Photo 4: Cuppett's Covered Bridge south side detail. Photo by AECOM, on file at PA SHPO

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Photo 5: Cuppett's Covered Bridge interior detail. Photo by AECOM, on file at PA SHPO



Photo 6: Cuppett's Covered Bridge northern side. Photo c.2016, provided by Gary Cuppett

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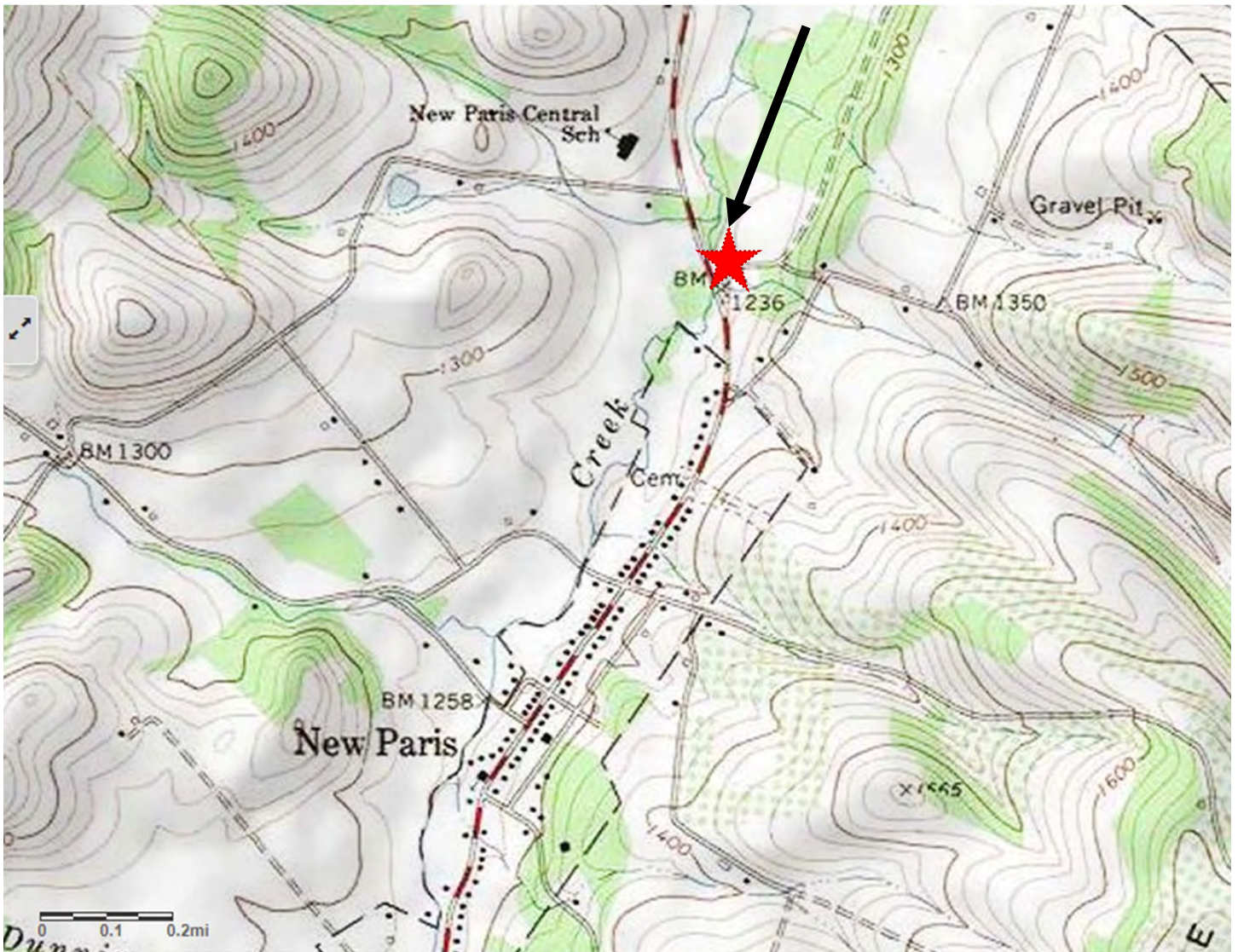
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Photo 7: Reid Thomas Cuppett and Gary Michael Cuppett pose in front of roadside signage. Note correct spelling and identification of "Cuppett". Photo 2017, courtesy of Gary Cuppett.

Cuppett's Covered Bridge
Napier Township, Bedford County, Pennsylvania
National Register of Historic Places



USGS Quad: Schellsburg

Coordinates
Lat: 40.116101
Long: -78.639719













**Cuppett's
Covered Bridge** →



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action: Additional Documentation

Property Name: Cuppett's Covered Bridge

Multiple Name: Bedford County Covered Bridges TR

State & County: PENNSYLVANIA, Bedford

Date Received: 10/9/2019 Date of Pending List: 11/1/2019 Date of 16th Day: 11/18/2019 Date of 45th Day: 11/25/2019 Date of Weekly List:

Reference number: AD80003423

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

X Accept Return Reject 11/12/2019 Date

Abstract/Summary Additional Documentation accepted.
Comments:

Recommendation/ Technical correction made to correct the historic name of the bridge.
Criteria

Reviewer Lisa Deline

Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2239

Date 11/12/19

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.

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Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

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Property Bedford County Covered Bridges Thematic Resources
 State Pa - Bedford Working Number 12-18-79 2976

TECHNICAL

CONTROL

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HISTORIAN

Meets criteria c: These covered bridges have obvious significance for their method of construction and for their aesthetic value. The # 8 Section of the form lists transportation as the only area of significance. Both Architecture and engineering should also be checked and addressed more thoroughly in the significance section.
 Accept P. Reed 3/11/80

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

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Inventory _____
 Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Eligible as examples of a type of transportation structure — embodiments of wood bridge technology of the 19th c., once common in Bedford County. Nomination covers 14 of the 15 extant covered bridges; (the 15th has been moved + altered). (No dates provided for 6 of the bridges) — on the basis of the states survey scope they are presumed to be late 19th/early 20th c.)

Accept
 L. Deike
 4/8/80

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____ Send-back _____ Entered APR 10 1980
 Federal Register Entry 2,3,81 Re-submit _____



Pennsylvania State Historic Preservation Office

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

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October 2, 2019

Joy Beasley, Keeper
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service, US Department of Interior
1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 7228
Washington DC 20240

Re: NR nomination disc

Dear Ms. Beasley:

The Additional Documentation form noted below is being submitted electronically per the "Guidance on How to Submit a Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places on Disk Summary (5/06/2013)":

- Cuppett's Covered Bridge (Additional Documentation), Napier Township, Bedford County
Cuppett's Covered Bridge (NR Reference # 80003423) was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1980, under the Multiple Property Listing "Bedford County Covered Bridges TR". This Additional Documentation aims to correct a technical error made by the nomination preparer at that time regarding the historic, and preferred, name.

The enclosed discs contain the true and correct copy of the documentation listed above. We are requesting that the Keeper's Office accept the Additional Documentation enclosed offering these Technical Corrections.

If you have questions regarding the Additional Documentation please contact David Maher at 717-783-9918.

Thank you for your consideration of this correction and clarification.

Sincerely,

Andrea L. MacDonald, Director
PA SHPO